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Mr Ginzburg jailed for eight years with restricted diet

sentence of eight years in a our camp on a severely restricted was imposed on Mr Alexander zburg, the Soviet dissident, yesterday. The verdict on Mr Anatoly Shcharansky will be given today in Moscow and the state prosecutor is demanding 15 years.

Shcharansky verdict likely today

Michael Binyon
ow, July 13

Alexander Ginzburg, the ar-old dissident and found- member of the Helsinki- in rights group, was sen- d today to eight years in our camp with a special e of hard labour and a ely restricted diet. He was guilty of anti-Soviet tion and propaganda.

e verdict at the end of our-day trial in Kaluga was ered by the presiding judge the presence of Mr EWINGS burg's mother and his de- ANTASIA lawyer, Mrs Yelena UCTIONS likova.

Ginzburg, who is in poor h, could have received up years' imprisonment fol- d by internal exile but the e said he took into account Ginzburg's two small child- and his cooperation with uthorities in gathering evi- e against Mr Anatoly aransky, a fellow Helsinki p member.

anwhile, in Moscow the prosecutor demanded a nce of 15 years in prison labour camps for Mr aransky, a Jewish dissident rial for high treason in the of espionage. The maxi- penalty could be death.

Vilnius, a judge delivered rdict in the third dissident held this week in the et Union. Mr Viktoras kus, a 49-year-old Catholic ber of the Lithuanian Hel- i group, was sentenced to ears in prison labour camp exile.

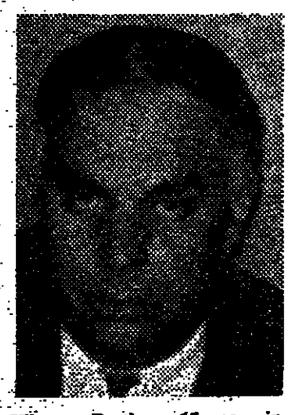
is morning, Mr Ginzburg, has resolutely maintained innocence, addressed the t in his final plea and ed defiantly that he did not ider himself guilty nor did sk for mercy.

rs Lyudmila Ginzburg, his her, the only member of the family allowed into the court today, said her son also sent greetings to Mr Shcharansky and said he understood what Mr Shcharansky was feeling at the prospect of a death sentence as he himself had been threatened with a charge of treason during his preliminary interrogation.

Mr Ginsburg, who yesterday dismissed his lawyer so that he could sum up his defence in person, ended his speech with the words: "I don't consider myself guilty and I don't ask for mercy."

He told the court that he did not consider the literature cited by the prosecution anti-Soviet, and he maintained that all the charges made by the Helsinki group about prison conditions and violations of human rights were true. Among the books that have been specifically mentioned during the trial was *Gulag Archipelago*, the account by Alexander Solzhenitsyn of Stalinist prison camps.

One witness testified at the beginning of the trial that this caused a woman to commit suicide after reading it. The works of Solzhenitsyn are banned in the Soviet Union.



Viktoras Pyatkus: 15 years in jail, labour camp and exile.

Court officials, however, told Western correspondents in Kaluga that Mr Ginzburg admitted distributing materials of an anti-Soviet character, and "did not deny" receiving money from abroad. This presumably refers to the Solzhenitsyn fund for the families of political prisoners, which Mr Ginzburg administered.

Officials also said that the prosecutor, Mr Vladimir Savkin, had not asked for the maximum of 10 years because in the last few months of his pretrial detention Mr Ginzburg helped the authorities in the preparation of the case against Mr Shcharansky and Dr Yuri Orlov, the founder of the Helsinki group, who was sentenced in May to seven years imprisonment.

Mrs Arina Ginzburg was not in court to see her husband sentenced. She was ejected on the second day after calling a witness a liar and has not been allowed back.

After the verdict was announced and Mr Ginzburg was driven away, friends and sympathizers waiting outside the court threw flowers at the van and called out "Alec, Alec".

The demand for a 15-year sentence in the Shcharansky trial means that the trial of the 30-year-old computer engineer is nearing its end. Mr Shcharansky, who has conducted his own defence, made his final plea this afternoon and the verdict will be given tomorrow.

He could still be sentenced to be shot. Soviet courts do occasionally pronounce stiffer sentences than those demanded by the prosecutor. But the indication is that his life will be spared, especially as the prosecutor drew attention to his youth and the fact that he was a first offender.

Fury in Washington over Young 'gaffe' on political prisoners

n David Cross
hington, July 13

esident Carter telephoned Cyrus Vance, his Secretary tate, in Geneva to deliver arp rebuke to Mr Andrew ng, the United States rep- ntative at the United ons, when he learnt of t is seen here as his close d and associate's latest most spectacular gaffe.

State Department spokes- disclosed today that Mr e had been asked by the ident to remind Mr Young, umably in no uncertain s, that foreign policy state- ts come from either Mr er or the Secretary of .

r Vance is in Geneva for with Soviet leaders about w strategic arms limitation ement (Salt) and Mr ng was attending a United ons conference there.

e unusual disclosure of telephone call by the State artment spokesman at y's regular briefing for nalists here underlined the concern felt within the echelons of the Administra- about Mr Young's latest ecretions.

t only did Mr Young's rence to "hundreds, maybe sands of political oners" in the United States to immediate calls from ential members of Con- s for his dismissal, but r remarks also apparently gered a furious reaction the Elysée.

cording to the State Depart- t spokesman there have "diplomatic contacts" between Washington and Paris about disparaging remarks made by Mr Young on French Government policy in Africa.

The spokesman said that Mr Young's views "do not reflect the policies or judgments of this Administration and must be considered an expression of his personal views".

Mr Young's remarks have undoubtedly provided all his many critics in Washington with an ideal weapon to try to secure his dismissal from the Government.

When reports of his comments reached the capital late yesterday, several powerful members of Congress took immediate action to move in for the kill. Senator Barry Goldwater, the veteran Republican from Arizona, described the remarks as "lies". He should be fired if he could not substantiate his claims, Mr Goldwater said during an impassioned Senate speech.

Another Republican, Senator Dewey Bartlett from Oklahoma, said that Mr Young's comments had "not only undermined the attempts of the United States to dramatize Soviet human rights violations, but have subverted the very cause of human rights world-wide".

At the request of Senator Robert Byrd, the Senate Democratic leader, Mr Goldwater read his colleagues a news agency account of the remarks, which were published by the Paris newspaper, *Le Matin*, after Mr Young was interviewed by one of its journalists. Afterwards other senators joined the general outcry.

The House of Representatives later overwhelmingly defeated a preliminary move to impeach Mr Young. The vote was 293-82.

Mr Young's comments have deeply embarrassed both President Carter and Mr Vance because of the potential for mischief by the Soviet propaganda machine at a time when the Administration is trying to walk the tightrope between keeping the Salt talks going and condemning as harshly as compatible with this aim the trials of the dissidents.

The subsequent Tass comment that the words of Mr Young "are noteworthy, since they come from a member of the Cabinet and therefore signify an official admission that political persecution is widespread in the United States" has undoubtedly fulfilled their worst fears.

In the past when Mr Young has made one of his now famous long series of gaffes, spokesmen for both men have limited themselves to polite comments that Mr Young has his own personal opinions which are not necessarily shared by the Administration as a whole.

This time, however, Mr Jody Powell, the White House spokesman and close adviser to Mr Carter, has been quick to condemn Mr Young's views. He told reporters last night that statements on American foreign policy "come from the President and the Secretary of State and this particular statement does not reflect the policy of this Administration".

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Schmidt plea for summit 'declaration of intent'

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, July 13

Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor who will be host at the forthcoming economic summit here this weekend, said he hoped the leaders of the seven most industrialized countries will produce very firm declarations of intent on all subjects to be discussed.

The differences of opinion between the various leaders are normal and not serious, he said in an interview with the Bonn correspondents of the four Europa Newspapers, *The Times*, *Die Welt*, *Le Monde* and *La Stampa*.

The real difficulty, he said, lies in the leaders' limited freedom of action, since all depend on the support of their Parliaments at home. He referred directly to President Carter's inability to reduce oil imports without the agreement of Congress.

Herr Schmidt said that he was expecting the summit to do more than merely improve the atmosphere between heads of Government, but he was opposed to laying down growth targets, as was done at the London summit last year.

He said that countries cannot maintain what they have forecast and it is a "self delusion among economic statisticians to believe otherwise".

However, he hoped for firm declarations of intent from the participants at Bonn.

The Chancellor took the line that the Germans had done much to help other countries by allowing the Deutsche mark to appreciate on the foreign exchanges.

He agreed with President Giscard d'Estaing of France that faster progress could have been made on the European Community currency stabilization scheme discussed last weekend at Bremen, but said he was not dissatisfied. He was convinced "that we are on a well-defined new road".

Herr Schmidt gave a warning that if Western countries wanted to restore full employment they must develop techniques to keep them ahead of rapidly industrializing Third World countries in South-East Asia and elsewhere. With its high incomes and standard of living, the West cannot otherwise hope in the long run to remain competitive with these countries.

Herr Schmidt went on to elaborate various points.

On the summit: "I do not basically consider the differences of opinion you mention as serious. . . . There are much more serious problems, unfortunately, for example regarding the problem of the continuing backwardness of many developing countries.

"The differences of opinion within the seven most important industrialized states do not go beyond the normal level, which we have observed for many generations. The real difficulty lies not in differences of opinion but in the limited freedom of action of the participating governments.

"The American Government cannot simply reduce oil imports of the United States. It needs the Senate for that.

And likewise other governments depend in various ways on the consent of the majority in their own Parliaments.

"The most important areas

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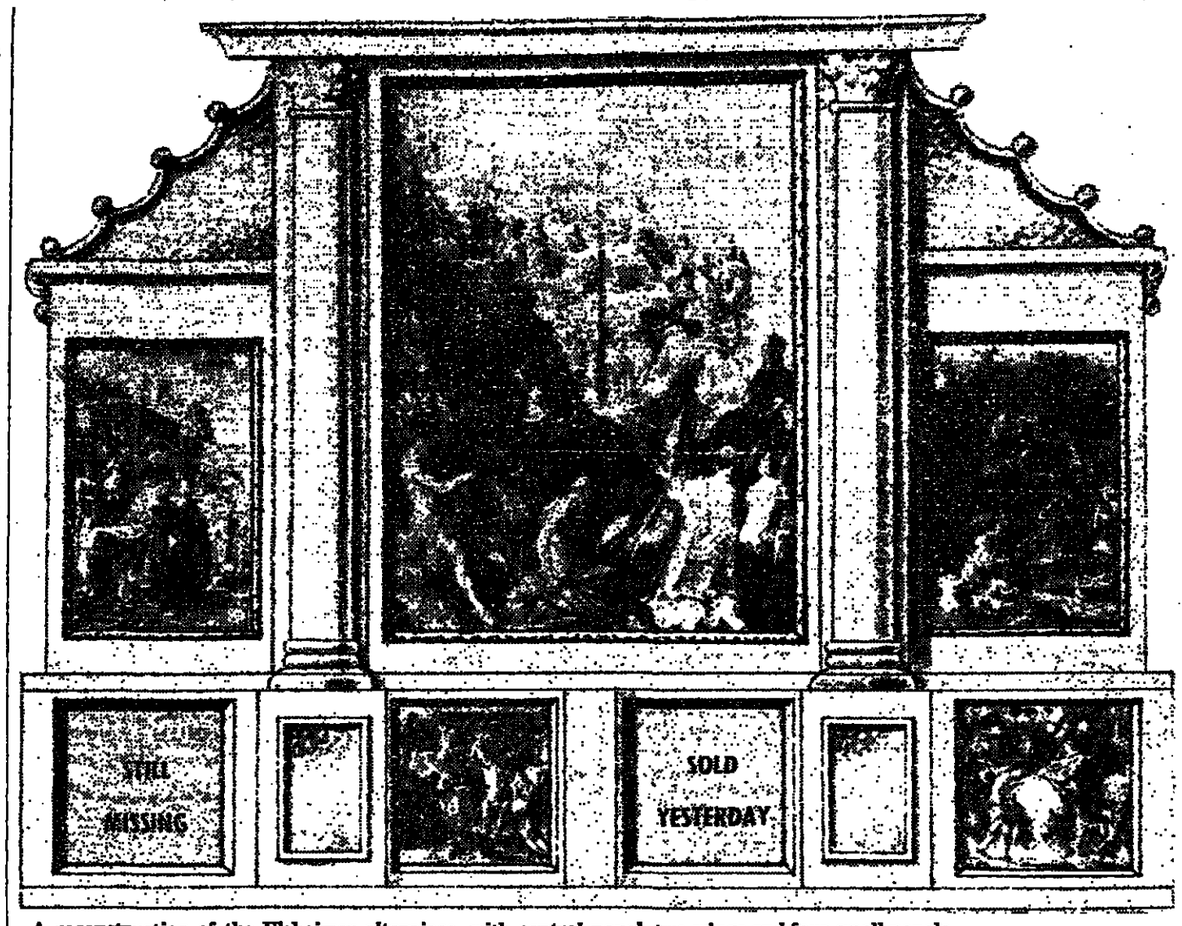
Test-tube baby's birth likely to be this weekend

The birth of the world's first test-tube baby is likely to be this weekend. But the health authority in whose area it will take place were saying little last night about when it is expected.

Mr Edwin Warren, area administrator of Oldham Area Health Authority, Lancashire, said: "The baby is not yet due. No arrangements have been made regarding the date of birth by caesarian section."

Sources close to the hospital expect the birth this weekend. They say the mother, Mrs Lesley Brown, aged 32, has now reached full term.

Mr Patrick Steptoe, the consultant gynaecologist who will deliver the baby, is not taking any further patients during the next week. The expectant father, Mr John Brown, of Hassell Drive, Bristol, has said he will stay in Oldham from now on



A reconstruction of the Elsheimer altarpiece, with central panel, two wings and four small panels.

£50,000 for a lost painting

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

A lost painting by Adam Elsheimer, an influential German artist who was working in Rome in about 1600, turned up unnoticed in a Bonham's auction yesterday. Elsheimer died at the age of 32 and only about 30 of his works are known.

The auctioneers had catalogued the painting as "seventeenth-century Italian School" and estimated the price at £150 to £300; it was bought for £50,000 by Mr Jack Baer, of Hazlitt, Gooden and Fox, the St James's gallery. He was not the only one to have noticed the painting, but he was the richest.

The rediscovery of the tiny painting on copper, only 5⅜ inches by 6¾ inches, adds the penultimate piece to one of the most extraordinary art historical jigsaw puzzles. In the 1920s documents were found in the Medici archive in Florence, describing the purchase of an Elsheimer altarpiece by the Grand Duke of Tuscany in 1619.

The altarpiece depicts "The finding and exaltation of the True Cross". A contemporary sketch indicated that it had two wings, a central panel and four small predella panels below.

It was not until 1952 that the first of the panels was recognized. It was the central one, "The exaltation of the Cross"; long in the collection of the Duke of Norfolk, it had passed just before the war via Christie's and Colnaghi's to the Frankfurt Museum. Frankfurt was Elsheimer's birthplace.

In 1955, one of the wings, formerly in the collection of Sir Alec Martin, was recognized and went by way of Colnaghi's to join the central panel in Frankfurt.

There was a lull of 15 years and then the story was taken up by Mr Malcolm Waddingham and Mr Christopher Wright in *the Burlington Magazine*. The second wing, depicting the embarkation of St Helena, had been found in a private house in Ireland. It has also gone to Frankfurt.

Next, in 1971, two of the predella panels came to Christie's for sale. The owner had found them in the outhouse of his family home, where several pictures were stored, and had taken them to Christie's to see if they were of value. They were recognized and the Frankfurt Museum bought them for £37,000 and £22,050.

Yesterday's discovery is the latest in the line and means that only one panel is missing. The fact that all the pieces have so far turned up in either English or Irish collections seems to indicate that the altarpiece may have reached Britain intact. The panel from the Duke of Norfolk's collection may provide a clue. Throughout the seventeenth century the Norfolk family were close friends of the Grand Dukes of Tuscany.

Mr Baer, the buyer of the panel yesterday, said he had noticed it only on Wednesday, when he was viewing the sale in the normal way. He had blinked with disbelief and looked closer.

The fact that the painting was on silvered copper, which could be seen from two small *paint losses, strengthened* his conviction; furthermore the back of the painting bears an inscription in Italian similar to the other two predella panels already known. He kept quiet and hoped no one else would notice.

The underbidder was unknown to both Mr Baer and the auctioneer. Bonham's said yesterday that the painting had been brought to them during a valuation weekend in the country; the owners had recently sold their house and were moving into a flat. Bonham's were unable to find them yesterday to give them the good news and discover more of the history of the painting.

The final missing panel of the altarpiece, which should be the same size as yesterday's, depicts "the questioning of the Jew". It may still be hanging unrecognized somewhere in Britain.

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First 100 explosion victims laid to rest

From Dan van der Vat
Barcelona, July 13

A Requiem Mass for 100 of those killed on Tuesday in the Spanish camp site disaster took place amid harrowing scenes today in the cemetery at Tortosa, the large town nearest to the devastated resort of San Carlos de Rápita.

It was celebrated in the open air by the Bishop of Tortosa, assisted by 13 priests. The long table serving as an altar faced a gravel path on which the 100 coffins were lined up.

Seven of the coffins, white with gilt crucifixes, were for the children among the dead. The rest were dark brown with copper or chromium crucifixes —100 yards of varnished wood in the shade of conifers whose aromatic scent failed to mask the smell of death.

The funeral proceeded against the backdrop of galleries of tombs, which is how they dispose of the dead here. The coffins are pushed into slots which are later sealed with cement. Only 15 bodies were immured today, those of victims positively identified.

The occasion proved too much for a German in his thirties who broke down as one of the coffins was pushed into its slot. He cried out "Oh, nein, Oh nein, nein" and collapsed with grief. Many onlookers, mourners or not, wept.

Out of sight of the mourners Red Cross officials sorted 100 envelopes containing such details about the dead as it has been possible to assemble, to aid future identification.

People in search of relatives continued to arrive at the cemetery as the Mass was going on. A telegram of condolence sent by the Vatican in the name of the Pope and *including an apostolic blessing* arrived in time.

With the Roman Catholic clergy at the funeral was Pastor Hens Stemper, who serves the Evangelical Protestant German community in Barcelona. He had spent the entire night with the injured survivors at the Francisco Franco hospital in the city. He would not go into detail about their condition, which he described simply as "very bad".

I went to the hospital afterwards. On the eighth floor is the department of plastic surgery and burns, a well-equipped unit now caring for 44 of the injured. Fifty were brought here, 28 French, nine Spaniards, seven Germans, four Belgians and two Dutch.

Of these, five have died and one has been flown to France. The rest of the 200 injured are in other hospitals along the coast and inland.

Relatives of the dead waited in the corridor. All other visitors were excluded. Medical staff said it was still touch and go for the majority of the patients.

Harry Debelius writes from Madrid: The Spanish Red Cross is caring for 12 small foreign children apparently orphaned in the explosion who have yet to be positively identified.

It has been disclosed that more than 5,000 tanker lorries regularly carry inflammable, explosive or toxic cargoes on Spanish roads. Of these, 682 are used exclusively for the transport of liquified gases similar to the cargo involved in the *disaster*.

Mr Sadat and Israeli leader in surprise talks

Fuschl, Austria, July 13.—Mr Ezer Weizman, Israel's Defence Minister, reopened the stalled Middle East peace negotiations with President Sadat in a surprise meeting here today.

He landed at nearby Salzburg airport on a hurriedly arranged flight from Tel Aviv and went straight to the lakeside Fuschl Palace to meet the President and senior Egyptian ministers.

Officials said Mr Muhammad Ghani Gamasi, the War Minister, and Mr Muhammad Ibbrahim Kamel, the Foreign Minister, were joining Mr Sadat in the first major Egyptian-Israeli encounter since March.

Mr Weizman refused to say whether he was carrying new proposals to continue the peace initiative launched by Mr Sadat during a visit to Israel

Mr Sadat has been staying at Fuschl, ostensibly on holiday, after talks in Vienna last Sunday with Mr Shimon Peres, the Israeli Labour Party leader.

The Fuschl meeting took place four days before the foreign ministers of Israel and Egypt are due to meet Mr Cyrus Vance, the American Secretary of State, in London.

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HELP THE DEAF COMMUNICATE

The British Deaf Association is making an urgent appeal for help to maintain a continuing programme of work to overcome the barriers that isolate deaf people.

Both in this country and abroad research into the nature and principle of the manual methods of communication used by deaf people has been going on. There is a growing realisation that sign language is a human activity worthy of serious study, and capable of being used in the education of many profoundly deaf children, deprived of the natural means of learning through speech and hearing.

The British Deaf Association is deeply concerned in this matter and has taken a lead in furthering the cause in Britain, but the future will rely on the help which we receive in the form of donations and legacies, to support this work.

So we make an urgent appeal that you will send us a gift to help us maintain and expand the work on which so much progress, well-being and happiness depends. A gift by Deed of Covenant has added value as it enables us to recover tax already paid.

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cceptance of Namibia deal rings new hope

eptance by the South West Africa ple's Organization of the West's pro- als for Namibia is seen in southern ica as the first signs of hope in the tical outlook for many months. South ica's Minister of Defence said, how- r, that no troops would be withdrawn ll there was "a visible peace" Page 6

BC pays damages

ee partners of a London solicitors' ctice and a retired legal executive epted substantial damages from the and Esther Rantzen over unfounded gations against them in the television gramme, *That's Life*. Counsel for the C and Miss Rantzen said they now ognized that their attack was mis- ceived Law Report, page 11

Bishop's plea on evil

The Bishop of Southwark, Dr Mervyn Stockwood, has appealed for action by political parties to end "appalling violence and evil" in society. Priests are reluctant to accept livings in some parts of south London because of fear of violence Page 4

Job fears in OECD

A report from the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development forecasts that western nations face rising unemployment next year. Growth in the first half of 1979 is likely to slow to 3½ per cent a year, well below the rate required to hold unemployment constant Page 19

Three share Open lead

A record crowd of 27,000 saw Isao Aoki, Ben Crenshaw and Severiano Ballesteros share the lead on 139, after the second round of the Open golf championship at St Andrews. Ballesteros seemed to be drawing away from the pack but fell victim to the Road Hole Page 12

Benefit review

There is no prospect of other benefits being improved enough to reduce substantially the dependence on supplementary benefit of more than five million people, one household in ten in Britain; a new report says. Its aim is to facilitate the introduction of a simpler scheme which will give more help to families with children Page 2

In 'The Times'

Lord Drogheda, in the first of two extracts in *The Times* Saturday Review from his forthcoming autobiography *Double Harness*, writes of Brendan Bracken and the newspaper which he brought to prominence, the *Financial Times*. Caroline Moorhead interviews novelist and editor Emma Tennant

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HOME NEWS

One household in ten will have to continue to depend on supplementary benefit, report says

By Pat Healy
Social Services Correspondent

More than five million people must continue to depend on supplementary benefit because there is no prospect of other benefits being improved enough to reduce their numbers substantially, a deppmental team of officials said yesterday. But supplementary benefits can be simplified and improved to give more help to families with children, including, as a priority, the long-term unemployed, and to give married women some measure of equality with men.

The Government has neither accepted not 'reject4d any of the poposals to improve the scheme offered by the officials after a review ordered by Mr David ennals, Secretary of state for social services. It hopes publication of the report will lead to public discussion and action on some proposals carry next year.

Although the officials accept that supplementary benefits will continue to play a mass role, supporting a tenth of Britain's households at present, Mr Stanley Orme, Minister for Social, Security, emphasized yesterday that the Government's overal aim had not changed. It still wanted to reduce the number of people who had to resort to supplementary benefits, he said,but the immediate aim was to design a simpler scheme.

The main defects of the scheme at present, the report said, are that it is trying to handle too many claimants in too detailed a way, with too much reliance on discretionary payments Intended for exceptional circumstances but now commonly paid to a large proportin of beneficiaries.

The results are increasingly unsatisfactory, with wide variations in the way similar claims are dealt with in different parts of the country and by different appeal tribunals. Staff are given voluminous instructions that cannot be fully assimilated or applied with neither claimants or staff able to understand the scheme fully.

The report recommends a new legal structure for the scheme, plicing much of the rsponsiblity now taken by the Supplementary Benefits Commission on ministers and Parliament instead. The basic rules could then be simplified and set out in regulations or a code of practice, to standardize many of the matters now dealt with by the discretion of local officers or tribunals.

An important simplification could be achieved by introducing a new short-term claims system for people under pension age, two fifts of whom receiv benefit for less than eight weks. Such a scheme, which could save up to £3m, would eliminate much of the complicated initial assessments now carried out.

Standardized rates of benefit, including an element for rent, could be paid to those people recently in employment and likely to return to it quickly. There would be one rate for children, instead of the present five. Most people would actually receive more benefit under such a system, although some would lose.

People dealt with under a short-term claim system would get no extra discretionary sums.

As foreshadowed in *The Times* last week, the review team placed a high priority on extending the long-term rate of benefit to the long-term unemployed at a cost of £33m a year and 180 extra staff.

Most of the long-term unemployed are single men and older married men without children who would rarely hav ebenefits that exceeded or approached their earnings in work through extending the long-term rate. The answer for the small minority of men with larger families who might be better off would be to increase their potential earnings in employment, not to hold down benefit rates.

There is also, the report said, no defence in principle for continuing to discriminate against married women, who cannot at present claim supplementary benefit even when they have been the family breadwinners before becoming unemployed. The report recommended introducing the idea of a "nominated breadwinner" decided on the basis of past earnings.

The report recommended only minor changes in the categories eligible for supplementary benefit, with schoolleavers becoming entitled only at the end of the holiday after the term they left with their parents' continuing to draw child benefit until that date. Pensioners should continue to be entitled to benefit if they go abroad on holiday, but it should be paid only on their return and the concession would extend for only two weeks.

The response last night was mixed. The Child Poverty Action Group said it did little for families with children, particularly those with teenagers, who were the most expensive to keep. Age Concern said it was an attack on the living standards of millions of pensioners because it confirmed that "poverty will continue unabated into the next century".

The British Association of Social Workers welcomed the publication of the review but expressed disappointment at the acceptance of a continuing mass role for supplementary benefits. If a one-parent family allowance was introduced, together with higher pensions and unemployment benefits, 85 per cent of present claimants could be removed from the scheme.

Social Assistance: a review of the supplementary benefits scheme in Great Britain. (DHSS, Information Division, Block 4, Government Buildings, Honeypot Lane, Stanmore, HA7 1AY; free).

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Controversy continues among Jews over the Jakobovits letter

Rabbis take issue with their leader

By Edward Mortimer

Controvery continues among Jews on both sides of the Atlantic over a letter written to the *Jewish Chronicle* last week by Dr Immanuel Jakobovits, the Chief Rabbi, in which he argued that Israel should favour conciliation and peace even at the cost of territorial sacrifices, and should recognise "the justice of some Arab claims even when they conflict with ours".

In today's issue o fthe *Jewish Chronicle* fellow rabbis take issue with Dr Jakobovits, and there is also a reply from Mr Lionel Bloch, a well known Jewish solicitor, who for many years has been legal adviser to the Israeli Embassy; whose previous letter criticizing the paper's editorial had in turn been criticized by the Chief Rabbi.

Meanwhile Dr Jakobovits's letter has been attacked by four American rabbical organizations, one of which said in a cable to him: "We suggest you can still redeem your name and reputation by denying or retracting the statement and instead publicity expressing your confidence in the Israeli Government's ability to settle its own internal affairs without meddling by Monday morning full backs and armchair strategists."

Dr Jakobovits has not denied or retracted his letter, but he has written to the *New York Times* to protest against a report of it published by that paper under the heading "British Chief Rabbi assails Israel", which he describes as "extremely misleading". He asserts that "my letter contained no word of criticism of the Israeli Government".

That is strictly true, but the letter as a whole advocates a different policy from the present one and supports a *Jewish Chronicle* editorial that was explitly critical of "Israel's current political stance". The Chief Rabbi's specific support is given not to the criticism as such, however, but to the positive proposals put forward by the *Jewish Chronicle*, which were that Israel should "offer the Palestinian Arabs sovereignty and self-determination in exchange for peace", and that she should give "an undertaking to withdraw from occupied territory, with negotiated adjustments, *following and subject* to an agreed period of normal diplomatic, trade and tourist relations with all the Arab states at present in a state of war with her. . ."

In his letter Dr Jakobovits described those proposals as offering "an alternative to, and a compromise between, the two sides in the present debate for and against territorial concessions", and went on to defend them against expected criticism from three quarters:
1 Those who reject them for reasons of security;
2 Those who insist on retaining "the historic Land of Israel" at all costs on religious grounds;
3 Those who object to Jews outside Israel expressing any views, other than in support of official Israeli policies.

It was on the second, religious point that the Chief Rabbi wrote at greatest length. He said:

No religious Jew disputes our claim to a divine mandate . . . extending over the entire Holy Land. What is arguable is whether we must, or indeed may, at this time assert it at the risk of thousands of lives, if not the life of the state itself. The preponderant opinion in Jewish history and literature, seemed to favour conciliation and peace, notwithstanding the cost of territorial sacrifices. Even Joshua and Ezra did not complete the occupation of the entire land.

For religious Jews, Dr in Israel had "a special dimension as a religious ideal", but their conscience should also be "particularly sensible to other, perhaps overriding religious imperatives", such as: The pursuit of peace, "Judaism's highest ideal"; the preservation of life, "which suspends all other laws"; "the inhuman condition of thousands of Palestinians in wretched refugee camps, whatever and whoever the cause"; "the justice of some Arab claims even when they conflict with ours"; and "above all, the Jewish character of Israel, which would be vitiated by retaining a large Arab population within her borders, especially when, on present demographic trends, Jews would be in a minority within the next 15 years".

He went on to criticize "the avowedly Messianic components in the policies of some religious groups", pointing out that "the pages of Jewish history are littered with the lethal shrapnel flung out by the explosion of pseud-Messianic movements".

He particularly opposed "the battle cry 'not an inch'", which, he said, evoked "ominous echoes of Masada" (whose Jewish defenders killed their wives, their children and then themselves to avoid capture). "Never before or after", he concluded, "has a Jewish religious sect declared its preference for colective death with dignity . . . over survival without immediate fulfilment of all national aspirations. . . . If such a philosophy had been embraced by our entire people, Jewish history would have ended long ago with national euthanasia."

1981 census may have question on race

By Peter Strafford

The Government announced yesterday that there would probably be a questin in the 1981 census asking people to what race they thought they belonged, but it did so in a way that was calculated to forestall the criticism that it clearly expects.

Speaking at a press conference in London, Mr Roland Moyle, Minister of State at the Department of Health and Social Security, said account would be taken of public opinion on the proposal to ask the queston. The exact form of the question had not been decided, and three possibilities were to be treid out.

It was even possible, he said, that the Government would reconsider the decision to include the queston, if there was any public outcry. But for the time being, the decision stood, and people's attitudes would be tested by asking the possible questions in selected areas.

The decision had been taken because the questions asked in 1971, about a person's country of birth and his or her parents' countreis of birth, had been only partly effective in providing information on the person's race. Such questions would be even less useful in 1981 "because of the growing numbers of coloured children of parents who themselves were born in this country".

It was important to have the information on race, Mr Moyle said, because "we need reliable figures of the nummers and condition of people in the minority grus to provide a basis for our policies on community relatins, to monitor racial equality, and to identify the local areas calling for remedial measures".

Mr Moyle would not say what the three possible questions were, though he said they had been drafted. The intrention was to publish them on July 25, with an explanatory article, and to present them to people in the selected areas in the course of this month and next.

At present, it was intended to ask the question on race in England and Wales only, since it was of less relevance in Scotland. The census in Northen Ireland, which was likely to be held on the same day, April 5, 1981, was organized separately.

A census has been held every 10 years since 1801, except for 1941. In a White Paper entitled 1981 Census of Population, the Government explains why population figures are needed for planning purposes, and gives assurances that any information in the returns is treated confidentially.

The holding of the census is in lone with a United Nations recommendation, and most members of the organization will be holding one at about the same time. The nine members of the European Community have all agreed to hold a census between March 1 and May 31, 1981.

The Government estimates that the cost of the cnesus in Britain, that is, without Northern Ireland, will be £45m at November, 1976, prices.

1981 Census of Population (Stationery Office, 40p).

Renewed industrial action by agency journalists

By Our Labour Staff

Journalists at the Press Association, the national news agency, are expected to resume limited dustrial action this evening in support of their pay claim.

The journalists, who say they are paid between £1,750 and £2,000 a year less than the average on Fleet Street newspapers agreed to lift their sanctions last week to allow talks. Meetings this week failed to produce a settlement.

A meeting of most Fleet Street National Union of Journalists' chapel fathers (shop stewards) yesterday endorsed an earlier decision not to do extra work tahr would undermine the PA action.

They also supported in principle the view that newspaper journalists should refuse to handle copy from the agency during any mandatory meetings of the journaliits. One of those is planned for Wednesday.

Ryder letter forged with Letraset kit, jury told

The Daily Mail paid £15,000 in £5 notes for an exclusive report about the alleged British Leyland "slush fund" only to discover that the main piece of evidence was a forgery, it was stated at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

It was also alleged that Graham Burton, a former Leyland executive, admitted that he had forged a letter from Lord Ryder of Eaton Hastings, then chairman of the National Enterprise Board, to Mr Alex Park, then Leyland's chief executive, with a Letraset kit.

The £15,000 and the Letraset kit were mentioned in evidence by Mr Nicholas Guitard, a freelance journalist, who introduced Mr Barton to Daily Mail journalists.

Mr Guitard said Mr Barton was investigating "bribes to be paid abroad by British Leyland". The Mail published the report after paying £15,000 and took possession of documents from Mr Barton.

When Lord Ryder denied writing the letter, the Daily Mail became worried and Mr Guitard went to its offices, where he saw the editor and several executives. A meeting was arranged with Mr Barton in a Richmond public house for later that day, Mr Guitard said.

Describing the three-hour conversation in the public house, Mr Guitard said: "The Mail men were pressing Mr Barton to tell them whether he had a source for the letter and, if so, who that source was. Mr Barton was not saying.

"I thought the meeting was a bore and I went for a gin. When I came back, Mr Barton was telling them he had forged the letter with his Letraset kit. There were a few exclamations of dismay. Mr Barton accompanied the journalists back to the Daily Mail."

Judge King-Hamilton, QC, yesterday discharged a woman juror who is getting married later this month. She had made it known to the court that she was concerned that the trial, which began on Wednesday, might overlap her planned wedding on July 29.

The judge had the remaining 11 jurors resworn and a new juror sworn in.

Mr Barton, aged 34, and his wife, Fatma, aged 32, of Lincroft Gardens, Hounslow, London, are charge with forgery and dishonestly obtaining £15,000 from the *Daily Mail*. They have pleaded not guilty.

The trial continues today.

Four people questioned after soldier's death

From David Nicholsn-Lord
Belfast

Four men were being questioned by the police last night after the death of a para trooper in a Provisional IRA bomb explosion in the republican village of Crossmaglen, south Armagh, the previous

The four, all from Crossmaglen, were arrested in their homes early yesterday. The police said later that more people might be questioned.

Private Jack Fisher, aged 19, of Hartlepool, Cleveland, was killed instantly when a bomb planted in a manhole was detonated as his foot patrol passed nearby. Two civilians were slightly hurt.

Two controversial victims of recent violence were buried yesterday. At Dunloy, co Antrim, more than 500 people attended the funeral of John Boyle, aged 16, who was shot by the Army on Tuesday after he had discovered an arms cache in the graveyard next to his ather's farm. The police said later that he had no connexion with terrorism.

He was buried in a family plot half a mile from the scene of the shooting. Mr Cornelius Boyle, his father, said during the funeral that if the boy's death brought solace to a comunity that needed help, it would not have been in vain.

At Richhill, co Armagh, Constable William Turbitt was buried with full police honours. His body was recovered on Monday more than three weeks after it had been taken by the Provisional IRA in an ambush in which a colleague was killed.

Those attending included Sir Kenneth Newman, Chief Constable of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, Father Hugh Murphy, the Roman Catholic priest kidnapped in reprisal for Constable Turbitt's abduction but later released unharmed.

Decision on phasing-in police rises

By Fred Emery
Political Editor

The Cabinet decided yesterday how to phase in large pay rises for the police from next September. It will announce its decision next week, probably on Monday.

It is known the independent inquiry committee, chaired by Lord Edmund-Davies, has recommended "significant" rises—which average about 41 per cent. That figure has been authoritatively described as misleading and likely to disappoint most police officers, who will get less, while some senior officers will get proportionately higher rises.

The remaining point of interest is whether the Government, which has committed itself since last autumn to accepting the recommendations in toto, will give the rise in two instalments or three.

The police were given a 10 per cent rise in the present pay round, and the promise of "catch-up" to be identified by Lord Edmund-Davies and his committee. That device last autumn averted the possibility, amid much talk of militancy, of police industrial action.

The present recommendation has, as it was always bound to, come home to roost at an awkward political time for the Government. On the eve of a further fall in the rate of inflation today, which the Prime Minister previewed in the Commons yesterday, Mr Callaghan is having to square his preaching the virtues of, say, only 5 per cent wages rise next year, with pleading a special case for the police.

Of course, the Government never uses the term "special case". There can be none admitted in a system where all are asked to sacrifice. But the police, even if their rise is spread across three instalments, are certain to get far more than 5 per cent.

Ministers admit privately that the proposed police rises, like those still to come for the firemen, and those recently agreed for the Armed Forces, top public servants, and doctors and dentists, pose obvious difficulties on the discussions of future pay policy.

However, it is argued that unofficial special cases have been allowed in Phase One, and in Phase Three. The political difficulty over police pay will not come from the Conservatives, unless as with the Armed Forces' increase, the Shadow Cabinet promises to implement it all at once. Labour backbenchers, however, are likely to be restive; and some trade union leaders will be even less likely to embrace Phase Four limits.

Crime increase, page 5

Airport strike affects flights

British Airways domestic flights between Heathrow and regional airports will be affected by a 24-hour strike from 6 am today by airport staff at Heathrow. They are supporting staff at Speke airport, Liverpool, in dispute over rerouting plans.

Flights saffected will be between Heathrow and Manchester, Birmingham, Aberdeen, Inverness, Newcastle, Leeds, Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, and Liverpool.

Dutch to return Irishman

Amsterdam, July 13

Patrick Vincent McCarthy, said to be wanted for attempted murder in Dublin, today arrived in Amsterdam under guard in an aircraft from Vancouver, Canada, but refused to board a through flight to Dublin. A Dutch justice ministry official said he would be sent back to Canada.

Mr Wim van Leeuwen, of the Justice ministry, said: "We are not involved in his case and there is nothing we can do if he does not want to go to Ireland. He wants to go back to Canada and we are planning to put him on a flight next Saturday."

Mr van Leeuwen said, however, that Mr McCarthy had formally been refused entry into the Netherlands and was being held at a police station near the airport pending his departure. Mr McCarthy was arrested in Vancouver in March on a jaywalking charge and is said to be wanted by Interpol for attempted murder in a Dublin hold-up.—AP.

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Hunting in Britain today

In view of the constantly recurring public debate on the issue of bloodsports – the hunting with hounds of wild animals in Britain, the League Against Cruel Sports commissioned National Opinion Polls to gauge the public's opinion.

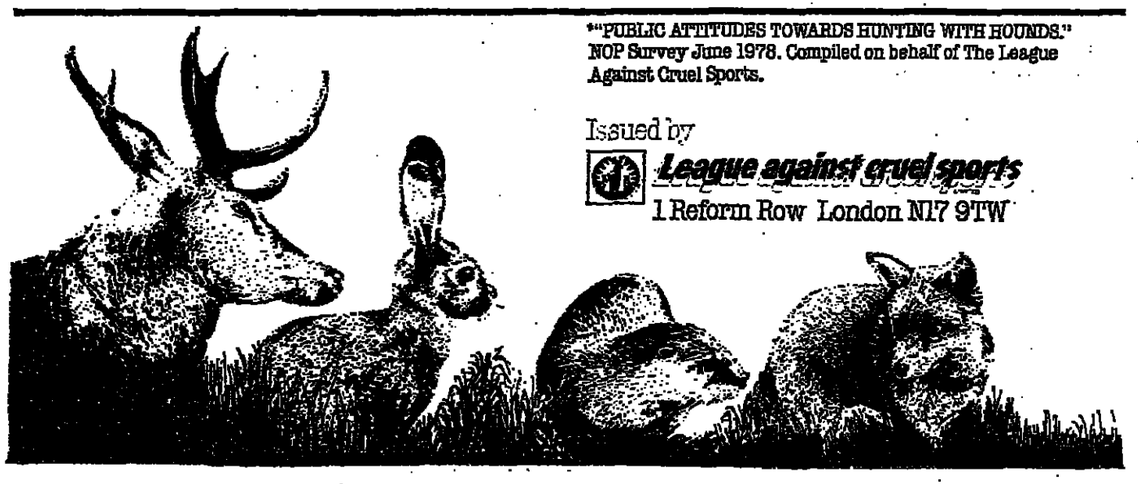
The poll was conducted in areas representing the entire country. Both rural and urban conurbations and people from all social groups and all adult (over 18) age groups were represented.

The conclusions are clear and obvious; the majority of people believe that the Government should introduce legislation to outlaw the hunting of wild animals with hounds. This is what the people demand and M.P.'s of all parties and the Government should recognise the fact.

The table below shows the most significant findings of the poll.

The Public's Opinion.*

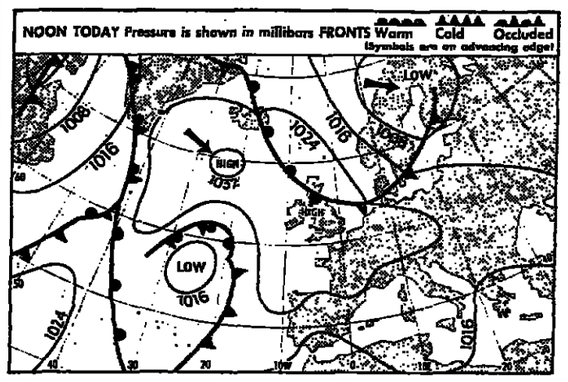
Answers to questions: Would you be in favour of or against a law to...	Ban the hunting of FOXES	Ban the hunting of HARES	Ban the hunting of DEER	Ban the hunting of OTTER	Ban the sport of Hare Coursing
In favour of a law	60%	62%	74%	72%	75%
Against a law	23%	18%	12%	8%	7%
No opinion	17%	20%	14%	20%	18%

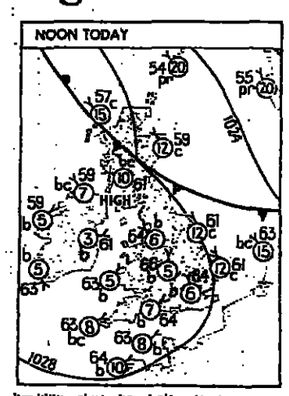


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Weather forecast and recordings





b—blue sky; bc—fair cloudy, c—cloudy, d—overcast; f—fog, dr—drizzle, h—hail, m—mist, r—rain, s—snow, th—thunderstorm, sh—showers, pr—periodical rain with snow.

Today

Sun rises: 4.59 am Sun sets: 9.13 pm
Moon sets: 12.37 am Moon rises: 2.45 pm
Full moon: July 30.
Lighting up: 9.43 pm to 4.30 am.
High water: London Bridge, 8.16 am, 6.4m (21.0ft); 8.30 pm, 6.2m (20.4ft). Avonmouth, 1.0 am, 10.7m (35.2ft); 1.33 pm, 10.3m (33.7ft). Dover, 5.42 am, 5.5m (18.0ft); 6.9 pm, 5.7m (18.7ft). Hull, 12.34 am, 5.9m (19.4ft); 12.44 pm, 6.2m (20.4ft). Liverpool, 5.43 am, 7.9m (25.9ft); 6.26 pm, 7.8m (25.4ft).
Pollen count: The pollen count issued in London yesterday by the Asthma Research Council was 12, low.

A ridge of high pressure covers most areas, but a weak trough of low pressure will move SE. across NE Britain.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

London, Midlands, Central N England: Dry, sunny spells after a dull start in places; wind variable, light; max temp 25°C (77°F).

SE, E, Central S, SW England, East Anglia, Channel Islands, S Wales: Dry, sunny spells after dull start in places, some coastal fog persisting; wind variable, mostly NE, light with sea breezes; max temp 24°C (75°F), cooler on coasts.

N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, N Ireland: Dry, sunny periods, few early fog patches; wind mostly N, light; max temp 22°C (72°F), cooler on coasts.

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee: Dry, sunny intervals after dull start, cloud later, perhaps a little rain; wind mainly NW, light; max temp 21°C (70°F) inland, 15°C (59°F) on coasts.

Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Rather cloudy, a little rain, bright spells; wind NW or N, moderate; max temp 15°C (59°F).

land: Mostly rather cloudy, a little rain at times; wind NW, moderate; max temp 15°C (59°F).

Argyll: Rather cloudy at times, mostly dry; wind NW, moderate; max temp 16°C (61°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday: Many parts will be dry and warm with sunny periods; Scotland and NE England will be cooler and cloudy at times, perhaps a little rain.

Sea passages: S North Sea: Wind variable, light, becoming NW, moderate; sea smooth, becoming slight.

Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind variable, light; sea smooth.

St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind variable, light; sea smooth.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; s, sun.

	C	F		C	F		C	F
Akrotiri	s	33	91	Cologne	c	20	68	L Palmas	s	25	77	Nice	s	26	79
Algiers	s	29	84	Copenhgn	c	14	57	Lisbon	s	25	77	Oslo	s	20	68
Amsterdm	s	19	66	Dublin	s	20	68	Locarno	s	26	79	Paris	s	21	70
Barcelona	f	24	75	Edinburgh	s	16	61	London	s	19	66	Reykjavik	c	10	50
Beirut	s	30	86	Florence	s	31	88	Luxembrg	f	21	70	Rome	s	31	88
Belfast	s	19	66	Geneva	s	24	75	Madrid	s	31	88	Rotterdm	s	19	66
Berlin	s	18	64	Gibraltar	f	25	77	Majorca	s	28	82	Stockholm	c	16	61
Birmingm	f	21	70	Guernsey	f	17	63	Malaga	s	32	90	Venice	s	28	82
Bristol	f	21	70	Helsinki	c	14	57	Malta	s	34	93	Vienna	s	24	75
Brussels	s	19	66	Innsbruck	s	21	70	Manchestr	f	21	70	Warsaw	f	19	66
Budapest	s	24	75	Istanbul	s	31	88	Munich	f	24	75	Zurich	s	24	75
Cardiff	s	19	66	Jersey	s	19	66	Naples	s	30	86				

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 7 am to 7 pm, 22°C (72°F); min, 7 pm to 7 am, 13°C (55°F). Humidity, 7 pm, 55 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 7 pm, trace. Sun, 24hr to 7 pm, 5.9hr. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, 1,024.4 millibars, steady. 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

At the resorts

24 hours to 6 pm, July 13

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max temp °C	°F	
E COAST					
Scarboro'	2.0	—	16	61	Sun intls
Bridlington	4.5	—	15	59	Fog
Cleethorpes	4.2	—	15	59	Sun intls
Clacton	7.8	—	17	63	Sun intls
Margate	4.1	—	16	61	Sun intls
Herne Bay	6.1	—	17	63	Sun intls
S COAST					
Hastings	4.7	—	16	61	Sun am
Eastbourne	4.0	—	17	63	Sun intls
Bognor R	7.1	—	17	63	Sun intls
Southsea	6.1	—	18	64	Sun pds
Sandown	1.6	—	18	64	Sun intls
Bournemth	7.3	—	17	63	Sun intls
Exmouth	10.3	—	20	68	Sun pds
Torquay	11.1	—	19	66	Sun pds
Falmouth	7.0	—	21	70	Sun pds
W COAST					
Morecambe	11.1	—	20	68	Sun intls
Blackpool	10.8	—	19	66	Sun pds
Colwyn B	11.3	—	18	64	Sunny
Ilfracombe	9.1	—	17	63	Sun intls
Newquay	8.3	—	18	64	Sun intls

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CX 2000	102	109mph	£4775.94
CX 2000 Super	102	109mph	£4999.41
CX 2400 Super (5 speed)	115	112mph	£5590.26
CX 2500 Diesel Super	75	91mph	£5696.93
CX 2400 Pallas (5 speed)	115	112mph	£6157.71
CX 2400 Pallas (C-matic)	115	111mph	£6333.21
CX 2400 Safari Estate	115	109mph	£5742.36
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HOME NEWS

Bishop asks politicians to end social violence

By Craig Seton

A call for political parties to see the amber light and act to end "appalling violence and evil" in society has been made by the Bishop of Southwark, Dr Mervyn Stockwood. He says that fear of violence is making it difficult to find priests to accept livings in some parts of south London.

Writing in the diocesan news letter, Dr Stockwood criticizes kindly-disposed people from the suburbs and country homes who lavish sympathy on thugs, but not on the victims of violent crime.

"We in south London say to our leaders, 'enough is enough'. We do not want slick answers about the cat or the birch, but we do want to know what, if you get power, you intend to do", he writes.

The strength of Dr Stockwood's article is likely to surprise some of his colleagues. One of his clergymen said yesterday that he did not think the bishop was simply adopting a law-and-order approach, but was questioning the "slick liberal approach" to violence.

The Southwark diocese covers large parts of south London and part of Surrey. Dr Stockwood writes that in the not-too-distant past four priests in the diocese had been violently assaulted. "Even as I write, I have letters in front of me from my clergy telling me how they are constantly burgled or their homes vandalized. For them family life has become intolerable."

There were parishes where it was difficult to hold evening meetings in winter because of the possibiilty of bodily attack in the street. Worse still was the situation of elderly people kept indoors and away from friends because they feared the consequences of walking.

Dr Stockwood says that when he went to handle culprits as Saudi Arabians treated men who broke their country's rules. "While I have no sympathy with the men who were caned nad think they got what they desreved—knowing as they did the likely consequences of their actions—I do not believe that public opinion in Britain would tolerate such methods. I certainly would not", he says.

People must be preparedto face the facts. It was "all very well for kindly-disposed people who live in suburbia or in their country homes to express sympathy for the perpetrators of these violent deeds and to give psychological explanations or excuses, but what about the people on whom these violent deeds are perpetrated?"

The bishop cites the case of a blind old-age pensioner not far from Southwark Cathedral, "tapping with his stick on his way home from the post office with his meagre pension, who three times has been struck on the face and left helpless on the ground.

"I wish a little of the sympathy which is showered so lavishly upon our thugs and hooligans could be transferred to him."

Dr Stockwood says that Britain often seems to have lost all sense of right or wrong. The train robbers, in his judgment "social lepers", were put on television, and presumably paid handsomely, and the railwayman who died was forgotten.

"By all means", he says, "let us do everything we can to help people who are emotionally disturbed or deprived, but at the same time we must act as a nation to make it clear beyond a shadow of doubt that we will no longer tolerate this appalling violence and evil that openly flaunts itself in our society."

A clergyman from part of Lambeth borough, within the diocese, said yesterday that two years ago he was beaten up by a gang. He was knocked unconscious and kicked while on the ground; two ribs were broken. He had not reported the attack to the police because it would have alienated him from many of his parishioners who regarded the police as "a repressive force".

Two of his colleagues had been beaten up, he said. One had been punched by drunks outside his home and the other, on his way home, had been threatened by a gang with knives. He too was attacked and sustained damage to his kidneys.

During the dark evenings of winter his church arranged that old people attending church meetings were given transport to and from home because of the danger of attack.

Scotland Yard gave figures yesterday showing increasing crimes with violence reported in L Division, which covers Brixton, Kennington, Clapham, Streatham and Gypsy Hill, all in south London. In 1974, there were 1,422 such crimes: 651 of assault, including homicide, 397 cases of robbery, and 374 other violent crimes. By 1977 the overall figure had increased to 2,055. The number of assaults rose to 802, robberies with violence to 587, and other violent crimes to 666.

Rapid action by Government urged to help family doctor services in the inner cities

From John Roper
Health Services Correspondent
Cardiff

Family doctor services in inner cities will cease altogether unless the Government takes urgent action, the annual representative meeting of the British Medical Association, in Cardiff, was told yesterday.

Dr R. A. Keable-Elliott, chairman of the General Medical Services Committee, said that although the difficulties had been put to the Department of Health and Social Security repeatedly no action was ever taken.

Yet the situation in general practitioners' surgeries was as bad or worse than in many hospitals affected by cuts and shortages. Doctors were practising in impossible conditions in old buildings. Many were elderly, and younger doctors could not aford premises in city centres. In many areas vandalism was rife. Some doctors had suffered damage to surgeries estimated at £2,500 within weeks.

The trouble was that the Government thought in terms of health centres. But the profession felt that that meant being tied to the apron strings of government. If the government made changes for political reasons the doctor practising from a health centre would be in the same situation as the consultant who had seen his beds for private patients disappear from NHS hospitals.

Family doctors must remain independent, he said. Health centres should not be under the control of government but should be run by a non-political body.

To save general practice in inner cities the department must act rapidly. Money must be found for staff and for an effective deputizing service and probably for incentive payments to encourage doctors to set up in city centres.

Dr Keable-Elliott said the recent pay award to family doctors would be valueless unless it was adequately updated each year. Although the Government had accepted that it had never defined what it meant by "updated".

He had little doubt that the Government would try to enforce a public sector income policy in the coming year. In that context he wished to make clear what family doctors meant by talking of possible industrial action. The patient would always come first. Industrial action would be against the Government.

"But we are fortunate in that if we wished we can withdraw from the NHS and continue to give our patients as good or better service than when we were in the NHS", he said. Another action that could be taken would be to stop sickness certification.

The meeting agreed to press for legislation instituting a formal procedure for the maintenance of confidential "at risk" registers of battered babies. The decision came at the end of a debate on *Violence in the Family*, the report published last year of a Commons select committee.

Some speakers thought that such a register should be of children of a family in which violence was known to have occurred and not include cases of suspected violence; and that there should be conditions under which names could be removed from the register if the situation changed.

Dr B. L. Alexander (Manchester) said that a father whose wife had divorced him because he had battered their child had come to his surgery because his second wife was pregnant and the man was afraid he would batter that child too. That was reported to the social services but nothing was done.

When the second child was six weeks old Dr Alexander said he was called to see it. The baby had a burn on the chin and in hospital was found to have a fractured skull and ribs. The father was jailed and the baby adopted. But the mother was pregnant again. Next month the father would be released and might return to the mother:

"This case demonstrated to me the need for a register of children at risk and suspected of being at risk", he said. "We have got to learn to cooperate in mutual trust with the NSPCC, with the social services, with the police, with health visitors and with all the services."

The junior hospital doctors' decision to withdraw from the review body system and establish direct pay bargaining with the Department of Health and Social Security was debated. Mr J. N. Johnson (Liverpool) said the junior doctors had achieved their new contract and other improvements by direct bargaining. It was not their wish to abolish the review body or to split the profession. All they were seeking was the blessing of the representative body.

Mr Anthony Grabham, chairman of the senior hospital doctors committee, said he regretted the junior doctors' decision and thought it was wrong. The profession might as a result lose the review body system.

Dr Keable-Elliott, chairman of the family doctors' committee, said the review body was a better system than direct bargaining. The junior doctors' action was unwise.

The debate was on a motion seeking endorsement of the juniors' decision. But it was agreed to move to next business and no vote was taken. Junior doctors' leaders will now seek a meeting with department officials.

Axe attack by burglar

By Our Crime Reporter
Crime Reporter

Miss Rose Richenberg, aged 69, underwent an emergency operation early yesterday after she had been attacked with a meat axe by a burglar in the flat she shares with her crippled brother in Bethnal Green, east London.

Miss Richenberg, of Headlam Street, was treated at the London Hospital for a double skull fracture, and received 60 stitches. The attack was described by police officers as one of the most savage they had seen committed on an old person.

Miss Richenberg and her brother, who is crippled with arthritis, were asleep in their ground-floor flat. The burglar was searching their living room when the police believe he awakened Miss Richenberg. He went into her bedroom, attacked her and fled. Mr Richenberg was unable to leave his bed and his sister staggered out of the flat and raised the alarm with a caretaker.

The meat axe was found on grass near the flat and detectives at Leman Street police station formed a squad yesterday to investigate the attack.

Bishop attacks party dogma over housing

From John Young
Planning Reporter
Liverpool

Politicians lacked the will to break down the barriers of social segregation in large cities, the Bishop of Liverpool, Dr David Sheppard, said yesterday. Too often the maintenance of political power bases overrode the community interest.

The bishop, who gave the opening address to the annual conference in Liverpool of the Royal Institute of British Architects, told reporters afterwards that Labour councillors had made clear to him their reluctance to see private residential development in inner London for fear that it would erode their political support. Conservatives had similarly conceded that council estates in outer suburbs were unpopular because the tenants were unlikely to vote Conservative.

In Liverpool, a political "dingdong" had left sites empty for years because one party had said they should be municipally developed and another that they should be left to private enterprise. "I do not say that either side should be held to blame more than the other, but I am afraid that dogmas have been defended", he added.

It was time to recoguize the reality of social and economic segregation that differentiated large cities from smaller towns.

"Many people in this country make the assumption that everyone can make it provided that they work hard", he declared. "In other words, if you are deprived, it is your own fault." What happened, of course, was that those who "made it" left the district and whole communities of "losers" were left behind together.

The inner-city slums did not create themselves. They were created by those who wanted to get on in the world and left and by those who had never lived there but had gained their wealth from them.

It had suited the national interest well in the past to have a great port like Liverpool, which was now in decline. The rest of Britain could not now wash its hands of the needs of the inner cities.

Dr Sheppard also observed that inner-city mentalities had spread to the large overspill estates where an eighth of the population of Merseyside now lived.

There was a great deal of romanticism about the beauty of old terraced streets and their community spirit. That spirit had its harsh side, and its warmth also carried a sense of suffocation.

"You cannot suppose that when people move out to new green field estates they suddenly leave all their problems behind", he said. The new estates were unbalanced in terms of age and skills; in the borough of Knowsley, for example, 36 per cent of workers were semi-skilled or unskilled, compared with 23 per cent nationally.

"I do not think that many people on Merseyside believe that there will ever be full employment again in the terms that we think of it now", he continued.

In some areas unemployment was 30 per cent and it had been running at twice the national average since the war.

"We are not talking about a cycle of unemployment, but about chronic structural unemployment", he asserted.

"The breakdown among the inhabitants of any sense of belonging or having any stake in their future poses a very deep threat to our democratic institutions. A bubbling, protesting city is more alive than a hopeless apathetic city sitting down on its sense of powerlessness."

Appeal for integrated schools in Ulster

From Stephen Cohen, of *The Times Educational Supplement*, Sunderland

An appeal to the leaders of Protestant and Roman Catholic churches in Northern Ireland to integrate primary and secondary schools was launched yesterday.

The All Children Together movement, an inter-denominational organization, called a press conference during the annual conference of the Council of Local Education Authorities, meeting at Sunderland. It urged church leaders to use the new Northern Ireland Education Act to end religious separatism in the province's schools.

Mr Anthony Spencer, an executive member of the movement and chairman of Belfast Education Committee, said the cooperation of the churches was being sought to establish integrated schools.

Although some Roman Catholic bishops and the Rev Ian Paisley were opposed to the move, an overwhelming majority of parents had indicated in successive opinion polls that they backed the proposal, Mr Spencer said.

The Act, which received the Royal Assent at the end of May, is the fourth attempt since 1826 to establish shared schools in Northern Ireland. All previous measures foundered on the rocks of religious opposition.

Now, 98 per cent of Catholic children are taught in Roman Catholic schools and 99.5 per cent of Protestants are segregated.

Four opinion polls showed that up to 87 per cent of parents wanted integrated schools and would send their children to them. The lowest proportion in favour was in 1967, when 64 per cent of adults approved the idea.

The new legislation provides two routes to integration. It is also the only education Act that enshrines the right of parents to be consulted over the education of their children, Mr Spencer said.

The first road opens when two-thirds of the Protestant church's representatives on the management committee of a state school decide to integrate. In most state schools at least half of the managers are Protestant.

Parents views are then sought in a secret poll. Where at least three quarters are prepared to share the school, the area education authority requests the Department of Education and Science to establish it as an integrated school. The next step is the appointment of new managers with a third each from the parents, local authority and the churches jointly.

The second route is for the trustees of the Roman Catholic voluntary schools to follow. They have to take the same steps, obtain parents' approval, and alter management committees in the same way.

Mr Spencer hoped that about five schools would take the first initiatives by the end of the year. Most of them would be Protestant.

In brief

Planting appe for tree week

The Tree Council has ized a National Tree W take place over two wee from November 11 to 19.

It is hoped that it w courage the planting of st species and is aimed at fa landowners, local and c government, industry schools as well as indiv

Protest follow day's strike

Three thousand tra workers returned yes after a 24-hour stoppage naval base in Plymouth a engineering workers be demonstration.

The engineers, all me of the Amalgamated Un Engineering Workers, h meeting to protest at r tions on pay negotiations i ing Ministry of D workers.

Fare rises for Merseyside

Merseyside Passenger port Committee yes approved a new fare str for the buses, ferries an urban trains to begin in ber to increase reveni £3.3m a year.

A third of bus passenge pay between 25 and 7 cent more; minimum fa Mersey Rail will rise by 2 cent, and on the ferries to 17p.

Princess's jewels sto

Jewels valued at £1 were stolen on Wednesday the home of a Saudi Ar princess in a block in Eli Street, near Eaton S London. The police hav named the princess.

Front seeks Tory ch

The National Front is se to buy a new Conservative at Kidderminster, the fact which is in doubt because money crisis, as its West lands regional headquarte

Hull hospital to clos

Despite vigorous protest a petition signed by people, Humberside Health Authority decided terday to close the 17-bed T end maternity home an adjacent maternity hospi Hull.

Home after transplus

Mark Ward, aged 1 received a bone-marrow fusion, returned home in tingham yesterday after months in Hammersmith pital. He must wait eight to know whether the oper is successful.

Fumes overcome 9

Six firemen and three wo at a shoe factory at Barnst Devon, were released from pital yesterday after a che that gave off cyanide gas leaked from a tank.

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TUC urged to oppose pay curbs

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

The National Union of Mineworkers yesterday forwarded to the TUC a resolution for the September congress opposing tion in wage bargaining.

The resolution follows closely the wording of that submitted by the left-wing South Wales coalfield to the NUM conference last week, and passed without dissent.

That called for opposition to any extension of the social contract, a return to "socialist priorities", increased public spending an dstimulation of the economy through a return to free collective bargaining.

Despite the Prime Minister's strong hint on Wednesday that the Government is seeking a wage target close to 5 per cent, the draft of the resolution was given quick formal aprpoval at a 50-minute meeting of the executive yesterday.

It will now be the rallying point of the harder-line unions at the congress. Present indications are that it may command the support of the Transport and General Workers' Union.

Balanced against it, however, will be a more moderately worded resolution from the General and Municipal Workers' Union. While the GMWU opposes Government interference, including the use of sanctions, its congress resolution goes some way to suggesting that the TUC should lay out its own wage guidelines.

It suggests as bargining priorities the establishment of a minimum wage relevant to particular industries, a "sensible" wage structure, based on a consolidated rate, reduction of overtime, and a shorter working week.

The National Union of Agricultural and Allied Workers, meanwhile, will give notice today to farmers that it intends to seek an increase in its members' minimum wage from £43 to £80 a week.

The claim will be laid in detail before the Agricultural Wages Board in September for settlement next January. Mr Jack Boddy, the union's general secretary, acknowledged yesterday that it was "ambitious" compared with present rates.

The union which claimed that its settlement in the last round brought earnings increases of about 12 per cent, will also seek a 35-hour week, longer holidays and better overtime pay.



TV Man resigns: Mr Jeremy Isaacs, one of the best known executives in commercial television, has resigned as director of programmes at Thames Television, a post he has held since 1974 (Kenneth Gosling writes). Mr Isaacs, aged 45, who will be remembered as producer of the World at War series, joined Thames as controller of features and current affairs in 1968. He said last night: "I leave Thames by mutual agreement but with real regret." Mr Bryan Cowgill, managing director of the company, will temporarily assume Mr Isaacs's responsibilities when he leaves on September 1. Mr Isaacs may become involved in the development of the fourth television channel.

Inland Revenue criticized in Ombudsman's report

Of the 91 investigations into complaints against 17 government departments conducted by the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (the Ombudsman) between February and April this year, 33 were found to be wholly justified. In 29 others, Sir Idwal Pugh, the commissioner, criticized some aspects of the department in question's handling of the cases.

His report for the session 1977-78 was published yesterday. Among the wholly justified complaints are seven cases involving the Department of Transport. There are similar complaints, one in each cases, involving the Civil Service Department, the Ministry of Defence, the Department of Employment, the Department of the Environment and the Manpower Services Commission.

In 20 of the 23 cases involving the Inland Revenue, the Ombudsman criticizes the department's actions. In 10 cases, Sir Idwal says the complaints were wholly justified.

Of the 25 cases relating to the activities of the Department of Health and Social Security, 10 were wholly justified, the report says. A further 17 contain some criticism of that department.

The treatment of certain prisoners, the delay in repayment of tax and the intransigence of the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Centre of the Department of Transport are criticized in particular.

In one particular case, Sir Idwal finds that a detainee at Wandsworth Prison, London, was segregated from other prisoners for four days without necessary authority and breach of prison rules.

The Ombudsman critic lengthy delays in two Inl Revenue cases. In one, the tax Office took five years issue an assessment. In other, a woman was subjected a "deplorable delay" of m than four years before recei a tax repayment.

Sir Idwal sees fit not to hold one complaint involv the Ministry of Defence, which a shopkeeper reported immediate adverse effects of decision to close the Cent Ordnance Depot at Chilw Nottinghamshire.

Nor does he find justified complaint against the Dep ment of Education and Scien by parents of an Inner Lond Education Authority volunta aided boys' grammar school th insufficient consideration w given to a proposal to chan the character of the school.

In all the investigations reported in which the Ombud man upheld the complaint, th department involved has pro vided a remedy. Sometimes th remedy was direct, but in three cases it was provided only afte Sir Idwal had reported his fin ings to the complainant's M who then took up the matte directly.

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration Fifth Report for Session 1977-1978 (Stationery Office, £4.75).

Prison dispute 'could be settled by telephone call'

Wormwood Scrubs prison officers are refusing to admit any new prisoners over a claim for a £200-a-year breakfast allowance backdated to October, 1971.

Mr Peter Rushworth, deputy general secretary of the Prison Officers' Association, said yesterday that a brief telephone call could avert the action but he could not do that because it was not correct union procedure.

He said that in cases where working hours had become "custom and practice" over the years, the Home Office was prepared to reconsider.

The breakfast allowance is paid at other establishments where the agreed starting time is 7.45 am and the men start at 7 am for the convenience of the prison.

The official starting time for the officers at Wormwood Scrubs has been considered to be 7 am, thus ruling them out of the allowance. The men there claim that they are entitled to it.

They say that during a work-to-rule in 1973 the governor issued an order stating that the starting time was 7.45 am, and that has never been withdrawn.

Mr Ivan Field, branch secretary at the prison, said the action would continue until they heard something from their union. Their sole aim was to get the Home Office to agree to talks.

NUT proposes proper use of 'ethnic' group

The Government should ensure that areas in need of extra teachers to serve children from ethnic minority groups are properly financed, a report published today by the National Union of Teachers says.

The report is the result of a survey of the use made by local authorities of grants available under section 11 of the Local Government Act, 1966.

The report recommends a new section in the Act in which the term "immigrants" is changed to "people from ethnic minority groups" and the limitation to people from the Commonwealth is abolished.

Section 11 (NUT, Hamilton House, Mabledon Place, London, WC1).

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HOME NEWS

Crime rises by 16% as police forces stay below full strength

By Stewart Tendler
Crime Reporter

Crime rose by 16 per cent in England and Wales last year. While the 42 police forces remained 6 per cent below full strength, according to the 1977 report of Sir Colin Woods, Chief Inspector of Constabulary, published yesterday.

The report draws attention to the continuing difficulties of public order policing and gives warning that serious crime is spreading from urban conurbations to semi-rural areas. It was cause for concern.

Not surprisingly, Sir Colin in his introduction fastens on the continued dilemma of apportioning police resources and suggests that one way to salvation may lie in stopping crime before it starts by increased aid and cooperation with social agencies.

He writes: "If in a modern democracy it is no longer the will or desire of the people to impose social discipline by the careful or restrictive measures once thought appropriate in the past, then the 'caring' services must develop a new effectiveness."

Under the heading of public disorder, the report notes the political violence of last year and says: "For senior officers judgments they are required to make are becoming ever more complex in the light of the tactics and behaviour of those extremist political factions who intent on violence."

The report regrets the necessity for plastic shields and says that at one time it was generally accepted that the police were present at demonstrations not to protect any one faction but to preserve the peace.

Examining serious crime, the report finds that the number of offences known to police forces outside London in 1977 totalled almost two million, an increase of more than 250,000 on 1976. Not one individual police force could report a decrease, and increases ranged from 8 per cent to 34 per cent.

Violence against the person offences rose by 6 per cent compared with 1976 and 15 per cent compared with 1975. More than 57,000 of the total of 69,000 offences were cleared up.

Sir Colin writes: "Sentencing policies are not by tradition the concern of the police but continued increases in crimes of violence, despite high levels of police vigilance, are likely to result in public demand for changes in the methods of treatment of those convicted by the courts."

The only reduction in 1977 in the various categories of crime covered by the report lay in sexual offences, which dropped by 5 per cent.

The report finds that more than 1,600 officers resigned last year before pension, double the figure for 1976 and equal to the total for both that year and 1975.

Of 12,066 complaints made against police officers in 1977 that were investigated or withdrawn by the end of the year, 926 were found to be substantiated.

Report of her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Constabulary for the year 1977 (Stationery Office, £2.25p).

Boys taken by father are found in Canada

Robert Goodwin, aged nine, and his brother, Nicholas, aged five, who were taken from their mother two months ago by their father, have been found in Canada.

Mrs Catharine Goodwin, aged 30, of the Oval, Kennington, London, flew to Canada at the weekend to search for the boys. Last night she was reunited with them.

The news was disclosed in the Family Division of the High Court yesterday by Mr James Townend, QC, a deputy judge, who said the children were in the custody of their mother. Mr Robert Goodwin, aged 33, a carpenter, had been arrested by the police in Kitchener, Ontario, the judge said.

When Mr Goodwin, of Cambridge Street, Pimlico, London, was returned to England he would be brought before the court, the judge added.

Mr Goodwin and his father, also named Robert, had taken the two boys from the mother on June 10, the eve of Robert's ninth birthday. Later it was learnt that the father and grandfather had taken the boys to Canada. The grandfather returned this week and on Tuesday was jailed for two days.

The judge said the grandfather had committed the most serious type of contempt. He ordered that Mr Goodwin's passport should be surrendered.

Researchers are improving pictures and sound

TV aids to help hard of hearing

By Kenneth Gosling

Sub-titles spread across the television screen, changing shape, colour and background as each line of soundless dialogue in the drama extract is shown.

I am watching, in the tiny viewing theatre at the Independent Broadcasting Authority's Crawley Court engineering and research base, the first tentative experiments in a three-year project, which has cost £100,000, aimed at helping as many as three million people in Britain who have hearing impairments to be able to appreciate television more.

The IBA's engineers and the programme companies are working in association with Southampton University, which will research some of the psychological and psycho physical aspects of the difficulties deaf people face. Some of the researchers' tasks become evident when the same drama extract is shown with the sound turned up.

Lines are delivered at a comfortable pace, but one difficulty is that when the dialogue is given verbatim the lengthy subtitles start taking priority over the visual images. What is needed is not only sub-titling but sub-editing.

However the staff of 480 at Crawley Court have the technical skills to overcome apparently insurmountable obstacles at bewildering speed.

Dr Boris Townsend, head of the engineering information service, at Crawley Court, said: "We tell anybody who wishes to know what we are up to, and this ranges from the pensioner who is having reception trouble to keeping our fellow broadcasters in Europe up-to-date on current information".

Transmitting a service to an area can be expensive. "We spend twice as much a head of population in Wales as we do in England". Dr Townsend says. "The percentage coverage a head of population is less than in England; but it is like bringing in the telephone: you are obliged to do it, however uneconomical."

The transmitter programme is being expanded from next year to bring the IBA's coverage to within 1 or 2 per cent of the 100 per cent mark. Transmitters have increased at a rate of about 52 a year, but up to 1982 that will rise to 70 a year, so adding 280 transmitters to the network. The aim is to broadcast to the more sparsely populated areas.

An exciting area of development over the past few years has been the increasing use of digital techniques, which has brought the computers into the television studio.

Mr Tom Robson, director of engineering, explains: "These changes have happened because of the tremendous amount of development work that went into the American space programme and because of the way the computer industry has seized on this to further its own development.

"The component parts they use have become so cheap and so advanced technically that it is very attractive to use them in television." So more digital systems will be used in the future; they are more reliable, cheaper and less labour intensive. It means that performances can be repeated with little quality change, and certainly not ones perceptible to viewers.

Significant use of computerized systems will be brought in during the next two or three years and that is a field in which the United Kingdom is well ahead. The IBA cannot manufacture and sell equipment, but it can license companies to do so and already some are making and marketing IBA-designed systems.

In about two years the IBA's 14 operational centres, which maintain the transmitter network, will be reduced to four, covering South-east England, Wales and the West, the Midlands and the North, and Scotland. The staff released will be redeployed on maintenance work. One of the reasons for the change is that it is proving difficult to recruit trainees of the right quality.

Another area of development is radio; quadraphony, or as it is described at Crawley Court, "surroundsound", is being given some attention. "The more work we do", one engineer said, "the more interesting the development becomes and the more it can have an effective place in broadcasting."

The future potential of satellite television is being studied. To launch a British satellite would cost more than to reengineer the present VHF bands used for 405-line monochrome television. A satellite could give five television channels if they were considered necessary, but it would have been cheaper if that facility had been available when the television service was set up.

Mr Robson said that Britain is out of step with other countries in the way broadcasting has developed and places a lot of reliance on the use of the higher frequency bands.

In the autumn of next year there is to be a world communications conference in Geneva to discuss some of the difficulties.

Criticism of lotteries upsets councils

By Alan Hamilton

Local authorities have responded with dismay to the report of the Royal Commission on Gambling, published this week, which is disapproving of the burgeoning business of council lotteries.

The commission believes they have become too commericalized and that the profit taken by private companies operating them is too high.

One hundred and sixty-eight county, borough and district councils operate them, and 40 have registered their intention to do so with the Gaming Board. The Association of District Councils estimates that the public spends £50m a year in tickets, and in the present financial year council projects will benefit by £20m.

Out of ticket sales, two-fifths goes in prizes, two-fifths to stated local projects, and one-fifth is taken as expenses by the operating company.

The commission's 266-page reportsays that despite the good work being achieved through many lotteries, the general situation is scandalous.

The councils are upset at being tarred with the same brush as private lotteries run for clubs and charities, where specific instancew of malpractice were uncovered.

The main firms involved in council lottery management are Competition Management Services, owned by Vernons Pools and Norton and Wright, a Leeds-based producer of lottery tickets; Dickinson Lottery Systems; Dean Vending, a pools firm; and Ladbrokes, which operates Cashcade, the best-known of the lotteries.

Cashcade, which is not confined to council lotteries, is expected to make Ladbrokes a minimum pre-tax profit of £500,000 in its first full year of operation, despite the high launching costs. Mr Cyril Stein, Ladbrokes' chairman, sees it as the forerunner of a national lottery. His company says the profit margin is only between 1 and 3 per cent after all expenses, but independent analysts regard that as as on the low side.

The commission thinks expenses of 20 per cent are much to high and recommends a maximum of 15 per cent.

The councils think tht to ban outside managers as the commission thinks desirable, would place undue burcens on the financial and manpower resources.

Councils are particularly angry at the commission's suggestion of a national lottery for good causes: the feel they have acted as the guinea pigs and a national lottery would deprive them of income.

Ladbrokes say many councils demand guaranteed levels of sales, and to meet them the company has to commercially promote the lotteries. Expenses of 20 per cent, they say, are the lowest possible for some smaller council lotteries.

The City of London is taking part in a GLC scheme managed by Littlewoods, which produces £4,000 a week for the City and for each of 15 London boroughs also taking part. Earlier this week Sir Peter Vanneck, Lord Mayor of London, presided over the first hand-out of lottery prizes in Guildhall for 150 years, the City's cut going to such causes as holidays for old people, the City Archeological Trust and the City Police benevolent and athletic funds.

ressure on Ir Shore to ve building

ressure on the Government intervene to save the Lyceum b, Liverpool, from demoli- increased yesterday when Gordon Graham, President the Royal Institute of tish Architects, disclosed he had sent a telegram to Peter Shore, Secretary of te for the Environment, on institute's behalf.

he Save the Lyceum cam- gn also claimed that it had isted the support of two erpool MPs, Mr Eric Heffer Mr Edward Loyden.

n his telegram, Mr Graham ed the retention of the ceum as "an outstanding neo- ssical building of inter- ional importance and unique e to the city".

since planning permission s given earlier this year to tish Rail and Kingsforth perty Holdings to redevelop Central Station site, the e has attracted international icern. But Mr Cyril Carr, irman of the city planning mittee, insists that although tish Rail did not present all facts the council cannot oke its consent.

No divorce for wife now out of love

A wife could not be granted a divorce because she had fallen out of love with her husband, Mr Justice Latey said in the Family Division of the High Court yesterday.

Mr Seyed Hussain, aged 55, an accountant, was not a perfect husband. He had at times maltreated his wife, Christine, aged 44, and had been abusive, she had said. The judge said Mr Hussain, of Greenwood, Baglan, Port Talbot, West Glamorgan, had his good points. He did not smoke, gamble, drink or womanize. "I doubt if any of us are perfect", the judge added.

Mrs Hussain, a Midwife, of Ifield Road, Westgreen, Crawley, West Sussex, had asked for a divorce because of her husband's alleged unreasonable behaviour.

Refusing a decree, the judge said the real reason the marriage had foundered was because she had fallen out of love with her husband. It could not be said that Mr Hussain had behaved in such a way that his wife could not be expected to live with him.

ritish Leyland ay appeal in heel fault case

Our Motoring Correspondent

ritish Leyland legal advisers to study a High Court ge's ruling that the county should have recalled egro cars from which the eels later dropped off. An eal is being considered.

r Teesside Crown Court on dnesday, Mr Justice Willis ided that Leyland's failure tackle the wheel fault was cause of a crash on the M1 orway which left a woman senger totally paralysed. She her brother-in-law, who driving the car, were rded damages.

he judge said Leyland was d with mounting and horri- g evidence of wheels coming adrift and owed it to the lic to recall all cars for ty washers to be fitted.

eyland maintained that the hub design was sound and the fault was caused by ficient service mechanics.

Ban on headlight flashing on motorways urged

Mr Walter Johnson, Labour MP for Derby, South, wants legislation to outlaw the practice of headlight flashing on motorways. He has tabled a Commons question to Mr William Rodgers, Secretary of State for Transport, urging heavy penalties for offenders.

Mr Johnson said: "What is happening more and more is that these 'cowboys' come up behind you on the outside lane when you are doing 70 mph. Impatient to overtake, they continually flash their headlights at you.

"That is disconcerting, dangerous and frightening, especially if it is impossible to move into the centre lane because of other traffic." He said he also wanted to stop goods drivers flashing headlights as they overtook

The Automobile Association said that in some cases headlight flashing was bad mannered and dangerous but it could also alert a vehicle to what was coming up behind.

ect leader challenged a public debate

he Rev Sun Myung Moon, th Korean leader of the con- ersial Unification Church, challenged yesterday to ear in public and debate his trines with a group of Chris- s dedicated to exposing s.

Ir Moon is in Britain. He is ealing against the Home ice's refusal to extend his from the United States.

he challenge to a debate was ed by the Deo Gloria Trust, ch has organized confer- es on cults in Britain and gium. In a letter to Mr on at the Unification Church's headquarters in Lancaster Gate, London, Mr Kenneth Frampton, a chartered accountant who is director of the trust, says it is concerned at his visit to Britain with a band of followers from America said to number eight hundred.

It describes the Unification Church as a "false religion . . . which is basically anti-Christian", and invites Mr Moon and Mr Dennis Orme, the director of the church in Britain, to "a debate or dialogue to give the public an opportunity of weighing up the merits of each doctrine".

ew job offered pregnant admistress

Margaret Jones, the unmarried headmistress who resigned when her pregnancy caused controversy at her school at ntwood, Essex, is to go k to work next January.

Miss Jones, aged 37, who ects her baby in September, been offered a new job by former employer, the Essex nty Education Authority, dling refresher courses for er teachers. She will be ed at Chelmsford.

The new class

Professor Ralf Dahrendorf in *The Times Higher Education Supplement* today discusses, and deplores the growth of a new "educational class". Ngaio Crequer compares the lifestyles of university and polytechnic lecturers, and L. Jonathan Cohen reflects on the influence of Sir Karle Popper over the philosophy of science.

Acid spilt on road

Firemen diluted several gallons of hydrochloric acid which was spilt from a container lorry at Southwater, near Horsham.

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The first priority is to apply the results of research and good practice throughout the National Health Service and private medicine. The second priority is to finance further research to ensure ultimately that all our babies are born free of handicap.

This campaign is supported by The Scottish Council for Spastics.

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HOME NEWS

Railmen back further pay accord, but not with the Tories

From Christopher Thomas
Labour Reporter
Llandudno

Railway workers yesterday joined the growing swell of trade union opinion in favour of letting the Government have another year of tacit pay accord in return for a joint approach on important socialist issues.

The National Union of Railwaymen's policy-making conference at Llandudno gave an unexpectedly large vote of approval for a continuing social contract. That means in effect that the NUR will support the Government in trying to reach a new understanding on pay, however informal.

The NUR is the last big union to decide its attitude on what should happen after Phase Three expires at the end of this month. It joins the steelmen, shopworkers and white-collar local government workers which also favour further moderation.

Mr Sidney Weighell, NUR general secretary, was adamant that there should be a continuing social contract that included an understanding on pay. He told delegates that some people wanted to hang on to free collective bargaining because it meant they could create the greatest industrial disturbance. "It is lush pasture for those who want to create havoc", he said, but added pointedly that the name of the game would change if there was a chance in government.

Mr Sidney Weighall, later told the conference that if the Conservatives won the next election, "we will be in the jungle, back to a free-for-all." He added: "If the Labour Government is not elected, we are back to square one. "We are talking about a policy with Labour, not the Tories. I have no authority to work with the Tories.

"If the Tories win, I will be in the market place when I see Margaret Thatcher. We will bt roaming about the jungle like everyone else, with all our power."

Mr Weighell said the union would also revert to large pay claims if the TUC voted in September for free collective bargaining.

Delegates voted 50 to 27 for a motion that declared that a continuing social contract was the way to a fairer society and economic justice. It urged talks on economic strategy which would include incomes, investment, use of North Sea oil revenue, social services, education and expansion of public ownership.

The conference voted to tell the union's leaders to pursue an unspecified "substantial" pay rise due next April.

The big question now is how the TU will vote in September on continuing the close economic accord with the Government and its attendant implication for pay moderation. Despite threatening noises from them iners and others, the general feeling is thot under Labour no union would strike out alone with a big pay claim if the TUC conference voted for a policy of cooperation across a range of socialist ideologies.

Mr Weighell said: 'I do not care a damn whether our members 'pay bargaining and tax concession. At the end of the day it is what a man or womon takes home that counts, and what that money will buy".

The Prime Minister's vague allusion the day before to a 5 per cent target for pay rises in the next round, got little support. But in the end delegates still accepted the union leaders view that the TUC and the Labour government should work hand in hand to form an annual view about wage rises.

Mr Weighell said: "We shall be prepared to sit down with the Labour Government to discuss a plan for the next 12 months. Discussions should cover a whole range of economic decisions affecting not only pay but investments, social services, unemployment in fact, the whole social and economic fabric of national policy".

Society gives warning on Welsh TV channel

From Tim Jones

The Welsh Language Society gave a warning yesterday that it had the capacity and the determination to intensify its campaign against television installations unless the Government sets a firm date for the establishment of a Welsh language television channel.

The warning was given by Mr Wayne Williams, acting chairman of the society.

As proof of its capability, a society member handed to the police keys said to belong to a television transmitting station at Oxford. Two technical manuals, the property of the BBC, were also surrendered to the police.

According to the society, the keys for that and other stations have been in its possession for some time. Mr Williams said it had chosen so far not to use them for the purpose of gaining admission and causing damage.

He added: "We want to show the authorities that we have the means to cause more damage and this we will do unless we receive a definite promise before the end of the summer for a starting date for a television channel."

Mortgages under support scheme rise sharply

By Margaret Stone

Mortgage advances under the building societies local authorities support lending scheme more than doubled in the first two months of this year compared with the same period of 1977 Mr Reg Freeson, Minister for Housing and Construction said yesterday.

In the first two months 5,200 advances totalling £41.4m were aproved compared with 2,200 loans worth £15.5m.

The scheme began in 1975 and the allocation for 1978-79 is now £267m compared with £157m in the last fiscal year. Mr Freeson praised the increased cooperation between building societies and local authorities and revealed that the Department of the Environment had now issued guidance notes on the day-to-day operation of the scheme.

The notes of guidance stress the importance of close local cooperation between building society branches and the town hall, the need for a good working relationship between the officials on both sides and the importance of coordinating resources.

Aid for Ethiopia

The British Red Cross has sent four Land-Rovers and three tons of drugs to Ethiopia to help one million people in the Wollo district who face starvation after a drought and plague of locusts.

Inquiry into sick pay claims by Midlands car workers

Social security investigators are inquiring into sick pay claims that they believe could be giving larger holiday pay packets to many car workers in the Midlands.

Systematic checks by the Department of Health and Social Security have disclosed that some workers regularly go sick just before their holidays, enabling them to claim sickness benefit and holiday pay.

Up to a quarter of the workforce at one BL Cars factory in Coventry were reported to be away ill today and regional health officials believe it is no coincidence that the motor industry's annual two-week closure starts today.

Investigators are expected to visit workers who made claims at the same time last year. The department said yesterday: "It has become apparent over a number of years that there is a tendency for greater sickness claims at holiday time, especially in areas with big factories, like Birmingham and Coventry. If someone has shown a pattern of falling sick at the same time each year we should regard it as a little suspect. We do know there are people who claim in this way."

Courses for judges on sentencing urged

By Marcel Berlins
Legal Correspondent

Judges should undergo a short period of instruction on sentencing before taking their place on the bench in criminal cases, a working party has recommended in a report published yesterday.

The working party, set up jointly by the Home Secretary, the Lord Chancellor and the Lord Chief Justice, takes the view that any judge having to pass sentence in a Crown Court needs not only to know about the law on sentencing but should also "be thoroughly well informed on the extremely wide range of topics which are in different degrees indirectly relevant to his choice of sentencing options".

It proposes that after their appointment but before they start sitting judges should attend a study programme. For those with previous experience of criminal practice, it would last up to one week; while for those whose practice at the Bar has been mainly in other fields of the law, the period should be up to two weeks.

In addition, after attending the study programme, the judge should spend a week sitting in the Crown Court as a "pupil" to an experienced judge, taking no part in any decisions made. Only after that week would he be entitled to sit alone and handle cases coming before him on his own.

The working party, under the chairmanship of Lord Justice Bridge, also proposes that judges should be invited to attend continuation study programmes of up to a week in length at regular intervals during their period on the bench.

An organization should be set up to prepare and administer the study programmes. There should be a judicial studies board, chaired by a judge of the Court of Appeal, consisting of judges, academic lawyers, members of the government departments involved, and a layman. A salaried, part-time director of studies and an institutional base at a university would also be required, the report says.

Other proposals concern the necessity for judges to be kept informed about matters to do with sentencing. The report recommends that certain publications should be made more widely available to all judges who perform sentencing functions, and that a regular bulletin should be published "to present in digestible form all current material of interest to sentencers".

The working party was appointed in 1975, and published, the following year, a consultative working paper, which included a provisional proposal that the study course for judges ought to last three to four weeks. The working party now says on reconsideration, that that period of study was too long and inflexible.

The report also explains that, responding to objections, it was not referring to the study programme as "judicial training", on the grounds that the term "training" inferred a threat to judicial independence.

Judicial Studies and Information. Home Office and Lord Chancellor's Office (Stationery Office, £1).

WEST EUROPE



Lorries on the approach to the Mont Blanc tunnel through the Alps, held up by a strike of Italian customs men, pull across the road to prevent other vehicles going through.

Support in Britain for EEC still falling

From Michael Hornsby
Brussels, July 13

Public support in Britain for the EEC is at its lowest ebb since the country's accession to the Community in 1973. Only 29 per cent of the British people, a smaller percentage than in any other member state, now approves of EEC membership, according to the latest opinion poll conducted by the European Commission.

This compares with 40 per cent in favour at the end of 1973 and 50 per cent in the autumn of 1975, a few months after the national referendum that produced a two-to-one vote in support of continued British membership.

Disenchantment on the British scale is matched only in Denmark, where support for the EEC has dropped from 42 per cent in the autumn of 1973 to 34 per cent at present. By contrast, 54 per cent of the Irish, the other newcomer to the Community, approve of the EEC, about the same as five years ago.

Among the six founder members, the positive vote is now running at 60 per cent on average, compared with 63 per cent five years ago, a decline too small to be considered statistically significant. EEC enthusiasts are most numerous in Holland where they make up 78 per cent of the population.

The decline in the number of those in favour of the EEC in Britain has not been matched by an equivalent increase in those against. At 38 per cent those against are relatively more numerous than anywhere else in the Community, where the average is only 13 per cent, but they have recorded as high or higher votes in previous opinion surveys.

What has risen sharply is the number of Britons who cannot decide whether membership has been good or bad.

This now stands at 28 per cent, which suggests that many previous supporters of EEC membership are no longer sure of its benefits.

The survey also examines attitudes to next year's first direct elections to the European parliament. In all, 71 per cent of EEC citizens are in favour, much as last year.

Some 51 per cent of those interviewed said they would be sure to vote, but only 48 per cent thought the elections were an important event that would advance European integration.

The British, in spite of their generally cool view of the EEC, appear moderately enthusiastic about the elections. Fifty per cent, which is more than in the Community as a whole, believe the elections will promote a sense of European citizenship.

On the proposal for creating a "European judical zone" that would allow the automatic extradition of people suspected of crimes anywhere in the Community, support was highest in Britain, where 78 per cent are in favour, compared with 67 per cent on average.

Police chief transferred after riot in Pamplona

From Harry Debelius
Madrid, July 13

The controversial chief commissioner of police in Pamplona, Senor Miguel Rubio, was on his way to a new posting in a small town in south-eastern Spain today, as the Basque country settled into a tense lull after five days of violence.

Senor Rubio, according to his own statements, was the man who gave the order for riot police to break up fights between members of rival political factions in the stands of the Pamplona bullring last Saturday. It was police intervention there which set off a wave of disturbances in the Basque country which resulted in two deaths, many injuries and widespread destruction.

Senor Rubio is reported to have requested a transfer from the Basque country about six weeks ago. His new assignment is chief of police in the town of Chirivella, near Valencia. No replacement has yet been announced for the Pamplona post.

There has likewise been no official announcement about what action, if any, will be taken in the case of Major Jose Avila, commander of the police detachment which charged into the crowded Pamplona bullring, firing rubber bullets and smoke grenades on the run. He was identified by a Madrid Newspaper as a member of the extreme right-wing party New Force.

A flying visit to several Basque cities yesterday by Senor Rodolfo Martin Villa, the Interior Minister, for talks with political leaders and officials was described by the nomarchist daily *ABC* today as a political failure, but there were no importan incidents during the day.

However, violent disturbances swept Bilbao, San Sebastian, madrid and Barcelona last night. Two young men were wounded by gunfire in San Sebastian, only one day after a 19-year-old was fatally shot by an unknown person during an assault on a security police station.

Before dawn today, uniformed Civil Guard policemen were involved in an xchange of fire by error with plainclothes policemen near Pamplona. No one was hurt.

Dr Filbinger fails in libel action against playwright

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, July 13

A Stuttgart court today dismissed the libel action by Dr Hans Filbinger, the Prime Minister of Baden-Württemberg against Rolf Hochhuth, the playwright, for comments about the zeal with which Dr Filbinger prosecuted deserting sailors as a naval judge in Norway during the last months of the Second World War.

Dr Filbinger has admitted to participating in death sentences against five sailors and supervising the execution of one.

The court ruled that Herr Hochhuth's description of Dr Filbinger as "Hitler's naval judge" and as a "terrible jurist"—terrible in the sense of fearsome—was free comment. So was his statement that "even in a British prisoner-of-war Filbinger) prosecuted a German camp after Hitler's death (Dr sailor with Nazi laws".

However, Herr Hochhuth remains forbidden to repeat his most serious comment: that Dr Filbinger is at large thanks only to the silence of those who know him.

Dr Filbinger was ordered to pa ytwo thirds of the costs and Herr Hochhuth and *Die Zeit*, the weekly which published the remarks, a sixth each.

OVERSEAS

Namibia agreement seen as new hope for southern Africa

From Nicholas Ashford
Johannesburg, July 13

For the first time in many months, the political outlook for southern Africa has brightened perceptibly after last night's announcement that the South-West Africa People's Organization (Swapo) had accepted the Western proposals for the independence of Namibia.

There is now a real chance that the disputed territory can manke a peaceful transition to independence at the end of this year and that the increasingly bloody guerrilla war will draw to a close.

Swapo's acceptance of the Western plan came at the end of two days of talks in Luanda, the Angolan capital, between Swapo leaders, headed by Mr Sam Nujoma, the organization's president, and representatives from the five Western members of the United Nations Security Council: Britain, the United States, France, West Germany and Canada. Representatives from the five African "front lines" states, Angola, Botswana, Mozambique, Tanzania and Zambia, were also present.

The plan now has to go to the United Nations Security Council for approval. In spite of Soviet and Eastern block reservations it is expected to have an easy passage through the council because it has black African support. A ceasefire will be called soon after the council has approved the plan.

The western package calls for United Nations supervision of pre-independence elections in Namibia before the end of this year, before the elections take place both South African and Swapo troops would be confined to their bases and there would be a progressive reduction in the number of South African forces territory from an es 20,000 at present to within 12 weeks.

The existing South police force would rer the territory for the tional period.

A force of some 5,000 Nations troops would patched to the terri maintain rder during t sitional period until f dence was achieved at of this year. An addition civilian administrators also be involved dur transitional period.

The United Nations p would be known as the Nations Transition Ad Group (Untag).

During the transitiona power would be veste special representative United Nations Secret eral, whose prime respo would be the holding and fair elections for a tuent assembly. Howev Justice Marthinus Ste South African-appointed istrator-General, would in Windhoek and work with the United Nations representative.

The Western plan al for the demobilization citizen forces and armies, the release of al bian political prisoners return of Namibian r and exiles and the repe remaining discriminato Our Diplomatic Corres writes: The agreeme hailed by Dr David Ow Foreign Secretary, as v portant in itself and siderable significance f desia, Angola and the stability of southern A a whole.

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Security Council to wor on formula next week

From Michael Leapman
New York, July 13

The United Nations Security Council is expected to meet here next week to begin implementing the five-power plan on independence for Namibia. The agreement of the South-West Africa People's Organization (Swapo) was secured at meetings in Angola this week.

Officials are now keeping their fingers crossed that the South Africans will not withdraw their acceptance of the plan, which they announced seven weeks ago. Although the plan accepted by Swapo is essentially the one agreed to by the South Africans, it has been subjected to what are called "clarifications" to make it palatable to Swapo.

three negotiations where agreement has seemed close on more than one occasion, only to prove elusive, there are fears that the South Africans might regard these clarifications as points of substance and ask that negotiations be reopened.

While officials of the five Western powers insist that such a reaction would be unjustified, they are steadfastly refusing to disclose the nature of the clarifications, which makes people suspicious.

Representatives of t Britain, the United France, West Germ Canada—flew to An week for talks with Nujoma and other leaders. They are exp return to New York weekend to prepare Security Council meeti

"We hope the Africans will hold agreement", one offic said. "But we've been point before where we we were about to pl fruit from the bou we've been disappointe

One new commitm the five have made Nujoma is that they w a statement on the Walvis Bay, possibly Security Council meeti important port has b cluded from the terms agreement because Africa wants to keep eignty over it.

While they are mai their positionthat Walvi not covered by the i dence agreement, the f put on record their bel it should ultimately be to an independent N The South Africans will that.

OAU attack on French role in African wars

Khartum, July 13.—France's military role in African wars came under violent attack at the Organization of African Unity's ministerial council meeting today.

Conference sources said Mr Theophile Obenga, Foreign Minister of Congo, accused African countries which sent troops to make up a French-sponsored pan-African force of high treason and flagrant violation of the OAU charter.

The creation of this force, formed to replace French and Belgian paratroops who rescued Europeans during a rebel incursion into Zaire's Shaba province in May, was "a sordid manoeuvre aimed at reconquering lost positions and perpetuating the shameless exploitation of Africa riches", Mr Obenga said.

He proposed some kind of OAU military command which would respond to crises in the continent, the sources said.

Observers said Congo's proposal of an OAU military structure appeared to signal a renewed offensive on the conference floor by "progressive" states led by the Libyans and algerians.

Guinea and Ivory Coast tried to halt the debate but a quick vore was taken, with about 30 countries in favour of continuing the discussion, the sources said.

The public inaugural session of the ministerial council a week ago had to be concluded behind closed doors for the first time in the 15-year history of the organization because of acrimonious exchanges on the subject of foreign military involvement in Africa.

Franco-Alger pact aided by Sahara ceasef

From Our Own Correspo
Paris, July 13

The decision of the Po Front to order a ceasefir guerrilla war in the W Sahara against Morocc Mauritania has removed obstacle to a new trea tween France and Alge replace the outdated agreements of 1962 whic an edn to the Algerian

President Giscard d'E suggested earlier this yea relations between the countries required a new framework, but there rem the problem of the W Sahara conflict in on the side of Polisari hopes to bring about a so regime in Mauritania.

The statement given on nesday by the new Maurit leader, Colonel Mustapha Salek, suggests that the regime is prepared in ord achieve peace to abando stake in the former Sp Morocco in favour of a Sal republic federated perhaps Mauritania. There is no cation whatever that the M cans are prepared to do wise. They have condei the Polisario ceasefire a Algerian manoeuvre.

Mr Abdelaziz Bontefika Algerian Foreign Minister. President Giscard d'Es here yesterday and gave h message from President Bo dienne. On leaving the E. Palace, he emphasized the i dependence of France Algeria.

"I can say that the com dimension of French Algerian policy is the nee bring back peace and stab in the whole region."

Angry French farmers empty fruit lorries

Nimes, July 13.—French farmers, angry at imports of Spanish produce, stopped lorries on a motorway near here during the night and spilt 150 tonnes of their load of Spanish fruit and vegetables on to the road.

The farmers took control of a toll gate and systematically searched about 300 lorries, police said. Ten vehicles found to be carrying produce from Spain were emptied.

One farmer remarked: "We can't sell our own produce, so why should we allow cheap Spanish stuff to come in?"—Reuter.

Resistance hero jailed for spying

Paris, July 13.—The Court for State Security yesterday sentenced former Colonel Georges Beaufils, aged 65, a much decorated Resistance hero and a member of the Communist Party, to eight years' imprisonment for spying for the Soviet Union.

The court was not convinced by the explanations of the accused that he had acted more as a naive and unsuspecting instrument of Soviet intelligence than from a deliberate intention to "harm the military or diplomatic situation of France".

Nato concepts 'absurd and dangerous', general says

By Henry Stanhope
Defence Correspondent

Nato's armed forces should reduce their manpower and equipment rather than increase them, according to a controversial study published in London yesterday.

It says that to insist on trying to match the forces of the Warsaw Pact, cannon for cannon and aircraft for aircraft, is "absurd and dangerous".

General Pierre Gallois, the French strategist, accuses the allies of trying to strengthen conventional forces derived from the Second World War and several decades out of date.

Nato's other plans to improve efficiency at divisional level—the call-up of reservists, rapid mobilization, a build-up in military stockpiles, standardization of weapons, the expansion of anti-tank weapons and even the campaign to deploy the neutron bomb—are dismissed as "a strategy of gimmickry and gadgets".

Nato's entire offensive and defensive air forces are distributed on a relatively small number of airstrips whose precise locations are already known to the enemy. In West Germany about 500 aircraft are assembled on fewer than 20 airfields.

Similarly the alliance's 7,000 tactical nuclear warheads are stockpiled in fewer than 100 depots—and three quarters of them are within 125 miles of enemy missile launchers.

Moreover, American reinforcements would have to disembark in wartime at fewer than a dozen ports, each of which could be destroyed by the detonation of an offshore nuclear warhead in shallow water. Even if the reinforcements did get ashore they would be paralysed by the cutting of motorways and railway lines.

General Gallois' views are contained in *Nato's Obsolete Concepts*, published by the Institute for the Study of Conflict, which carefully explains that his opinions do not necessarily reflect those of all its members.

The general believes that a Soviet attack on West Europe would take the form of a surprise strike with nuclear missiles, followed by conventional forces which would set up pro-Soviet regimes and maintain order in occupied territory.

General Gallois, a former French Air Force officer, sees Europe's salvation in political unity and an autonomous European defence system. Forces need to be reduced in numbers and to be equipped with greater destructive power.

They also need to be highly mobile, with their headquarters and depots buried deep underground to enable them to withstand the kind of surprise attack which the Russians could mount.

Transkei plea for backing

By a Staff Reporter

An appeal for governments to give moral and material support to Transkei "to enable us to carry on our diplomatic war against South Africa", was made by Mr Digby Koyana, Transkei's Minister of Foreign Affairs and Information, in London yesterday.

Transkei severed diplomatic links with Pretoria three months ago and announced that the reason was South African policy on East Griqualand, an isolated area near the Natal border over which homeland has claims.

Mr Koyana's statement a press conference reflec Transkei's preoccupation w international allegations t the homeland, declared in pendent in 1976 and recogni only by Pretoria, is a So African puppet.

"The cornerstone of Government's policy is freed from white domination for t people of Transkei and inde southern Africa as a whole he said.

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men charged in pe Rhodesian frica financial andal

alisbury, July 13.—In condi- is of great secrecy three e men appeared in court ay in connexion with what ical sources said might be desia's biggest financial dal.

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r Rowan Cronje, Minister anpower, had told a poli- meeting under persistent tioning that government ials and businessmen in the are sector were embroiled case involving Rhodesia's omic and security situa- s and possibly vast amounts oney.

umours of large-scale fraud ving foreign exchange s set aside for the pur- e of military equipment the past two years have current in Salisbury for ral days.

olitical sources said the involved senior officials in office of Mr Ian Smith, the e Minister, and the nce Ministry as well as a er member of Parliament, usinessman in an import- rt agency and an Air Force er.

Cronje's remark last night members of an Opposition were involved in the y among the three white osition groups, the National ying Force (NUF), the desian Action Party (RAP) the Rhodesian Conserva alliance (RCA)—into issu- press statements.

he right-wing RAP said of its officials was in- ed, and added: "surely the desian public are entitled know the names of the ed guilty parties, so that innocent can defend them- es and any Government cial who has so betrayed his t can be brought to book". he RCA said it was not in- ed in any way.

he NUF said the Opposition viduals to whom Mr ie refered had been pro- ent members of this desian Front before last ust's election.

ast June, 12 members of Rhodesian Front resigned legislation opening up h of Rhodesia's land to ks, and founded the RAP. euter.



Under a portrait of President Brezhnev, Mr Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, left, and Mr Vance, the American Secretary of State, pose for a picture at the Soviet mission in Geneva.

Progress in strategic arms talks

From Our Correspondent
Geneva, July 13

The prospect of there being a "sound" strategic arms limitation agreement this year was raised by Mr Cyrus Vance, the American Secretary of State, at the end of two days of talks here with Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister.

After a final three-hour afternoon session the two men emerged together from the Soviet mission villa, flanked by security men, and Mr Gromyko read a short joint statement.

It said discussions today had been concerned primarily with the new treaty for limiting strategic nuclear weapons.

The meeting had been useful and provided a basis for bringing positions closer. The two ministers had also discussed the present negotiations here for a comprehensive ban on nuclear tests, the Middle East and matters of bilateral relations.

Asked whether progress had been made towards resolving the remaining strategic arms issues, including new missile systems and how the treaty was to cover the Soviet backfire bomber, he said: "By these conversations we have provided a basis for hopefully narrowing the remaining gap."

The talks had also touched on Africa, he added.

'Ten years ago I myself was on trial in Atlanta for organizing a protest movement'

Mr Young's controversial words on US political prisoners

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, July 13

The trials of the Soviet dissidents Anatoly Shcharansky and Alexander Ginzburg on the eve of the arms control meeting in Geneva was certainly "a gesture of defiance, of independence" by the Soviet Government, but would certainly not stop the Salt negotiations, Mr Andrew Young, the American representative at the United Nations, said in his controversial interview yesterday and today with the Socialist daily newspaper *Le Matin*.

"And then we do not know what can happen to the dissidents. After all, in our prisons, too, there are hundreds, perhaps thousands of people whom I would describe as political prisoners.

"Ten years ago, I myself was standing trial in Atlanta for having organized a protest movement. Three years later, I was a representative for Georgia. It is true that things do not change as quickly in the Soviet Union, but they do change all the same", he said.

To the interviewer, who objected that one could not compare the American and Soviet systems, he replied: "I do not agree with these oppositions between systems. Take the United States. Present-day American society has nothing in common with that of before Franklin Roosevelt.

"In the thirties and forties, the trade union movement touched off a radical revolution in American life without which we could certainly not produce nine million cars a year today. In the fifties there was the revolution of civic and racial rights; today it is the women who intervene more and more in our economy. And this constant evolution is the rule everywhere.

"I think the present Soviet dissidents might well prove the salvation of the Soviet Union, that they are a natural development of Soviet society, but its leaders have not yet understood it."

He had no fears of a third world war breaking out. "Our relations with the Soviet Union are much too good", he said, "and at all levels, save publicly. Vance (the American Secretary of State) and Gromyko (the Soviet Foreign Minister) meet almost every month."

Mr Young did not think that the Russians might feel driven into a corner in Africa, touching off a big confrontation with the United States.

"I do not think they have their backs to the wall, except where they have got themselves there through their own mistakes . . . I think they are beginning to understand that they cannot control everything; and that they can play the game of honest competition.

"For instance, the principal commercial partner of the Soviet Union in North Africa today is Morocco." The United States was not trying to limit this kind of Soviet activity: "What we are trying to do is to limit the consequences of their military adventures."

American and French aims were now at all the same in Africa. "The French in the first place defend their own economic interests. In their differences with Belgium about the rebel invasion in May of Zaire's province of Shaba, e were closer to the Belgians because they were prompted by humanitarian concerns.

Mr Young did not think the proposed Pan-African intervention force would ever see the light of day, partly because the English-speaking countries of Africa opposed it. They saw it as a Franco-African Force, no a pan-African one.

He thought East Germany had played a part in the Shaba affair, "for they are worried about the missile development programme set up by the West Germans there".

Turning to southern Africa, he said that if the negotiations on Namibia (South-West Africa) were successful and South African forces there were replaced by United Nations troops, "I would say the prospects of a similar settlement coming about in Rhodesia in the coming weeks are very good.

"This region of Africa will swing to one side or the other before the end of summer."



Andrew Young: Sees change in Russia

Leaders of the Rhodesian Patriotic Front guerrilla movement had never ceased to negotiate with Mr Ian Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister. "One thing I discovered in Rhodesia is that everyone speaks to everyone else. It is a family quarrel, and has been for the last five years."

He did not know who was responsible for the recent massacre of missionaries, but if, as it appeared, the attack was planned, it could only have come from Mr Smith's camp. The situation in southern Africa might end in a bloodbath. "Save that there is a lot of moderation still" on all sides.

Americans and Europeans were beginning to understand that one could not think about African conflicts in European terms.

"One gets all worked up because there are 20,000 Cubans in Angola. But the country is twice as large as France, and 20,000 men, whoever they are, cannot control a country of this size."

He wanted American foreign policy to reflect the moral sense and idealism of the American people. "The Russians can do what they like. The French, too. With us, the world is more demanding."

Vance rebuke over envoy's comments

Geneva, July 13.—Mr Andrew Young, the American representative at the United Nations, has been rebuked for his controversial remarks on political prisoners in the United States, Mr Cyrus Vance, the American Secretary of State, said today.

Mr Young's comments to a French newspaper were said to have angered and embarrassed members of the Carter Administration.

Mr Vance said he expressed his displeasure to Mr Young last night in Geneva, where both men are attending meetings. They discussed the affair again at lunch today.

The Secretary of State said that Mr Young had not offered to resign as far as he knew.

In a statement which he read to the press today, Mr Young said he was "fully in accord" with the statements issued by President Carter and Mr Vance condemning the persecution of dissidents in the Soviet Union.

He said that a long interview which he gave to the Paris newspaper *Le Matin* "has been excerpted to give an erroneous impression of my views on the trial of Anatoly Shcharansky", the Soviet dissident now on trial.

Mr Young said he had "actively supported the movement for universal rights and freedoms, and especially the cause of Soviet Jewry from my earliest days in the United States Congress".

He also said he had never equated the status of political freedom in the United States with that in the Soviet Union.

Before leaving for Bonn, Mr Vance saw Mrs Natalya Shcharanasky, wife of the dissident now on trial. At a press conference earlier, she had said she had "things to tell him".

Mrs Shcharansky called on athletes to boycott the 1980 Moscow Olympics and have the venue transferred to Montreal.

She also urged scientists not to collaborate with their counterparts in the Soviet Union.—Reuter and AP.

QC compiles defence of medical man

By Robert Parker

A British lawyer has compiled a defence of Mr Alexander Podrabinek, a young Moscow medical worker in jail awaiting trial for, writing a book called Punitive Medicine which examines the way in which psychiatric treatment is abused in its application to Soviet dissidents.

He is expected to be tried very soon in Elektrostal outside Moscow. Yesterday at the Institue of Advanced Legal Studies in London, Mr Louis Bom-Cooper, QC, presented a defence n the case after being instructed by the defendant's father to exploit existing Russian law to provide an argument which the court will have to consider.

Mr Blom-Cooper quoted Russian law to show that under Article 70 of the Code of Criminal Procedure all evidence presented to a court must be given "careful, thorough and objective verification". He hopes to provide defence evidence to the court which would not otherwise have been considered.

Tass calls remarks 'official admission'

From Michael Binyon
Moscow, July 13

The official Soviet media quickly seized on Mr Andrew Young's remarks that there were hundreds, even thousands, of political prisoners in the United States and used this as evidence that the United States continually floured basic human rights.

Tass said last night that his words were "noteworthy" since they came from a member of the Cabinet "and therefore signify an official admission that political persecution is widespread in the United States".

A report from New York said the suppression of civil rights and political repression had become an inalienable feature of life in the United States. "The sophisticated machine of political repression in the United States is being perfected with every passing year", Tass said.

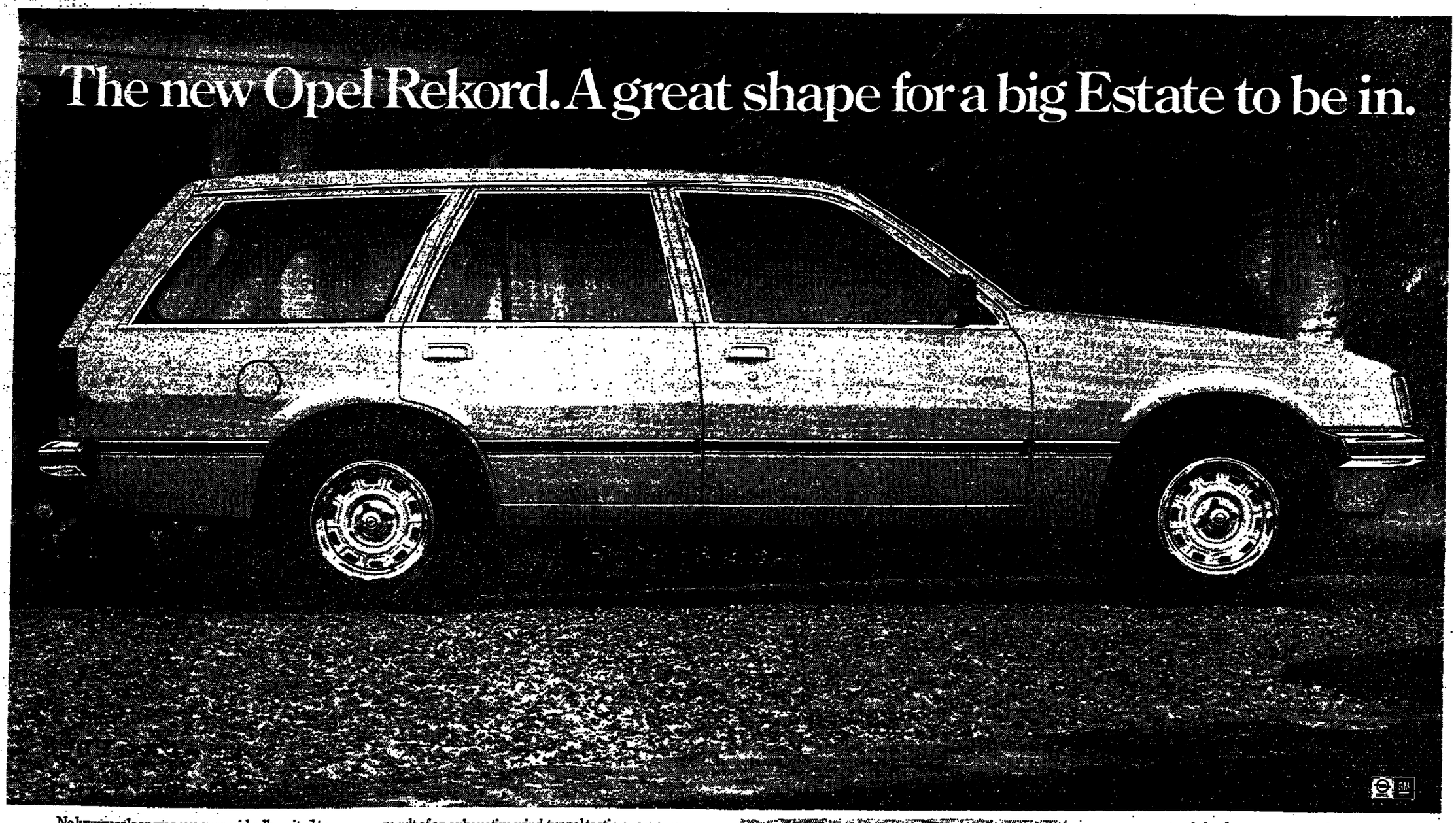
"A broad arsenal of anti-democratic laws has been put at the disposal of the judicial repressive apparatus. A sordid system of investigation, total shadowing and wire-tapping has been formed. The archives of the Federal Bureau of Investigation keep files on 160 million Americans—practically all the adult population in the country."

In the past year alone, the report went on, citing a congressional report on intelligence activity, the FBI carried out investigations into the cases of 500,000 Americans accused of subversive activities, although,

The report said the repressive apparatus of the police and judiciary was used especially against members of the American Communist Party and representatives of the progressive and trade union organizations.

It called a new Senate Bill under which any trade union member could be sentenced to up to 15 years in prison for taking part in strikes a "monstrous act" and said the American authorities used a wide choice of anti-democratic laws to put into prison fighters for civil rights, fighters against racialism and dissidents.

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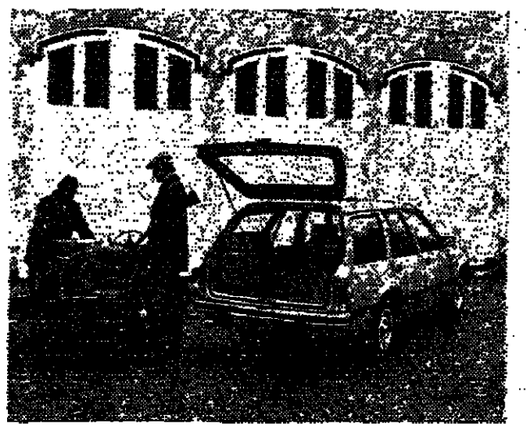
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Palestinians kidnap 40 members of UN force

From Christopher Walker
Beirut, July 13

At least 40 armed United Nations troops were kidnapped by Palestinian guerrillas in south Lebanon yesterday in a carefully planned operation which has considerably worssources, the soldiers weres zied ened relations between the two sides.

Embarrassed United Nations officials were only willing to release the barest details of the incident in Beirut today, but it is understood that the soldies were held for several hours in different Palestinian strongholds before being released unharmed and without a sht fired.

According to United Nations sources, the soldiers were szied in separate grops four or five strong in a series of ambushes which began at noon yesterday. The last of them were set free just before midnight.

All the ambushes took place in and round the port city of Tyre on roads which are outside the official operational area of Unifil, the 6,000-strong United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.

The kidnappin gs are believed to have been mounted in reatliation for the arrest of a small group of guerrillas and the seizure of their arms. Despite attempts by the umbrella Palestine Liberation Organization to impose restraint, many of the more radical groups have repeatedly expressed their determination to reinfiltrate the territory vacated by the Israel Army.

The brief United Nations statement about the incident reflected the official attempt to play it down as much as possible; this is believed to have been ordered by the ghanaian commander, Major-General Emmanuel Erskine. They key sectin stated: "Due to a misunderstanding, some members of Unifil were held by armed elements near Tyre." At no time did it refer to any of the palestinian groupings by name.

Western diplomatic sources say that the new attacks on United Nations troops come at a time when the guerrillas in south Lebanon have been placed on full alert in anticipation of renewed Israeli raids in support of the Christian militias against the Syrian troops.

Highly embarrassed officials at Unifil headquarters in the border village of Nakura refused even to release the nationalities of the troops involved. I understand the bulk were Iranians together with some French and Senegalese.

After the first news of the kidnappings was relayed to the United Nations, barracks on the outskirts of Tyre, an intensive round of negotiations began with liaison officials representing a number of the Palestinian groups whicy have their main strength in the area.

The delicate negotiations centred, it is believed, on the subject of the future United Nations control of attempted guerrilla infiltration into the border area and their handling of captured gerrilla arms. The Palestinians are angry that Unifil is continuing t act against them while making no move against Christian militiamen who were handed strategic border positions by the Israelis exactly a month ago.

Fight for Karpov's world title promises new acrimony

Bitter politics on the chessboard

By Harry Golombek
Chess Correspondent

The two contestants in the World Chess Championship match—Anatoly Karpov, the title holder, and Viktor Korchnoi, the challenger—will draw lots on Sunday in Baguio City, high up in the mountains in the Philippines, to decide which will have White and which Black in the first game of the match that is to commence next Tuesday.

The match will be played at the rate of three games a week and the winner will be the first player to win six games, draws not counting.

In theory, such a match could go on for ever. In practice it is doubtful whether the contest will last more than two and a half months.

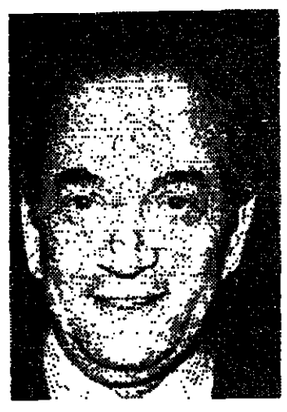
This is the first World Chess Championship match to be held since the famous encounter at Reykjavik in 1972 and, like that event, it is laden with a significance remote from chess. The Fischer-Spassky match in 1972 was a confrontation between East and West, with the victory for the West even hailed, though surreptitiously, in the Soviet block.

One of the more frankly exultant in the West was no less a person than Viktor Korchnoi, who is now about to face Karpov in a different and even more bitter confrontation—a clash between a dissenting defector and an upholder of the Soviet establishment.

It is Karpov, the much younger man, who supports the present state of affairs in the Soviet Union. He reserves his originality and power of thought for the chessboard and is otherwise somewhat platitudinous in his utterances. Korchnoi, on the other hand, is fiercely independent and much the more colourful figure. Both come from Leningrad.



Anatoly Karpov : Cool and sober defender



Viktor Korchnoi : Like a chameleon

Thus, the contest is likely to be even more political than its forerunner in 1972. Karpov and Korchnoi, too, will have more animosity against each other than Fischer and Spassky had in what was, in retrospect a chivalrous and even courtly affair.

Will this year's match provoke more public interest in the game than even the Reykjavik match did?

Meanwhile, the contest has got off to a flying start with disputed flags waving all over and, according to Korchnoi, prospective assassins lurking in every corner of Haguie City.

No greater contrast in attitude towards the match could be provided than the statements of the two players. Karpov's are dignified, sober and rather dull. Korchnoi's, on the other hand have almost a recklessness about them.

To say that this contrast is reflected in their manner of play over the chessboard is too facile a way of regarding grandmasters who, after all, bear the stamp of the original and artful Leningrad school of chess. But certainly Korchnoi has the style of play more dynamic and can, chameleon-like, change to all sorts of different methods to suit the moment and the adversary. Strange that the older man, Korchnoi aged 47 and almost 20 years older than Karpov, is the livelier and more colourful player.

This should be a great match but I cannot help thinking that the scales are weighted in Karpov's favour. He is so much younger and has grown from strength to strength since he has won the title that not even Korchnoi's magnificent return to the form of his best days should be able to prevent Karpov retaining his title, though the thought that he has so much more to lose than his opponent may cause the world champion many anxious moments.

Israelis surprised by Austrian meeting

From Michael Knipe
Jerusalem, July 13

The sudden trip today by Mr Ezer Weizman, the Israeli Minister of Defence, to Austria where he met President Sadat of Egypt and Mr Muhammad Gamasi, the Egyptian War Minister, took Israel by surprise today. Mr Weizman described the talks as "very useful".

Occurring less than a week before the scheduled meeting of Mr Moshe Dayan, the Israeli Foreign Minister, with his Egyptian and American counterparts in London, the trip provoked speculation that there might next be a new meeting between Mr Sadat and Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister.

There was also suspicion in some political quarters that the Egyptian President had once again assumed the diplomatic initiative and might be seeking to undermine Mr Begin's authority by splitting the Israeli Cabinet.

The Government, however, was deriving satisfaction from the fact that direct contacts have been resumed with Egypt without Jerusalem making any changes in its negotiating position as Egypt had been demanding.

In recent weeks both President Sadat and Mr Gamasi have repeatedly said that there would be no point to any meeting with any Israeli, including Mr Weizman, if the Israeli Government had no "new message". Yet the understanding here is that the Defence Minister took no new proposals with him.

Mr Dayan drew attention to this at a press conference today and expressed his pleasure that Egypt had relented on the matter. He said he saw points of compatibility in the respective Israeli and Egyptian proposals for a Middle East settlement and these would have to be explored.

He confirmed that the possibility was being discussed of negotiations between Israel and Egypt continuing after the London talks in El Arish, in northern Sinai. Israel was ready for this, he said, but reports that the idea had been agreed were premature.

Mr Dayan said there would be three itesm on the agenda for the London meeting: the Egyptian proposals, the Israeli proposals and the continuation of negotiations.

Questioned about Mr Weizman's trip to Austria, Mr Dayan said it had resulted from a suggestion by the Israeli Government made in Mr Weizman's name.

Sind given new martial law chief

From Our Correspondent
Islamabad, July 13

Lieutenant-General Sadiqur Rashid Abbasi, commander of the Fifth Corps, is to replace Lieutenant-General Mohammad Iqbal Khan as martial law administrator of Sind province from Saturday, it was announced here.

No mention was made of any new post for General Iqbal but it is reported unofficially that he will be Deputy Chief of Army Staff, helping General Zia ul-Haq in his dual role as commander of land forces and chief martial law administrator.

If this is so then General Zia will be able to pay greater attention to political affairs and civil administration. For the past six months General Zia has been engaged in a gruelling political dialogue in his efforts to bring most of the political parties into some form of association with his martial law Government.

So far only the right-wing Muslim League, which claims the credit of bringing Pakistan into existence with the partition of the Indian subcontinent in 1947, is a partner in the Government.

The seven-party Pakistan National Alliance which led the anti-Bhutto movement last summer is about to resume the dialogue with General Zia on joining the martial law regime. At a meeting in Karachi this evening the national executive of the alliance was meeting to decide finally whether to join the martial law Government, thereby strengthening General Zia's hands for what is officially termed stabilizing the political situation.

Several other parties outside the alliance however, including Mr Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party and the Tehrik-i-Istiqlal of Air Marshal Asghar Khan, the former Air Force chief, have described General Zia's efforts as of a transitory nature incapable of solving national problems.

Burma says Muslim return to begin next month

From Our Correspondent
Rangoon, July 13

The repatriation from Bangladesh of refugees from the Buthidaung-Maungdaw area in Burma's Arakan state will begin at the end of next month, according to a Government news agency statement after Burmese negotiators returned from Dacca.

Burma and Bangaladesh have agreed on the repatriation first of those holding national or foreigners' registration cards, together with their family members mentioned on the household list. The practice here is for each household to keep a list of its members which is endorsed by the local registration authorities.

The next to be repatriated, the agency statement said, will be those able to produce documents showing their previous residence in Burma.

The importance of the Burma-Bangladesh accord, made at Dacca on Sunday, is demonstrated by the mutual agreement to repair damaged reference markers and to replace missing ones along the Naaf river section of the border, as well as to demarcate the land boundary north of the river. This work is to begin this month.

To prevent illegal crossings, the two countries have agreed upon border ground rules to be applied on completion of the phased repatriation. As soon as this agreement has been signed, its provisions will be enforced. Both sides have also agreed to resolve together any further repatriation problems if illegal entries should occur.

This part of the statement is welcomed here, since it is felt here that an ill-defined and ill-guarded border usually undermines the friendship existing between neighbouring nations.

Parliamentary gate crasher

Tokyo, July 13.—A Japanese businessman drove his limousine through an iron gate of the Japanese Diet (Parliament) today, knocking himself unconscious and causing the car to burst into flames. He told police after he was dragged to safety: "I wanted to do something big."

Two passing girls put out the fire and pulled out Mr Takesoshi Ishibashi, aged 31, owner of a dry cleaning firm, as police arrived to arrest him.—Reuter.

Refugees confined to camp

From Our Correspondent
Bangkok, July 13

Some 7,000 Cambodian refugees in the border town of Aranyaprathet have been confined to their camp for a week during the forthcoming visit to Thailand of Mr Ieng Sary, the Cambodian Foreign Minister.

The refugees fled to Thailand over the past three years to escape the excesses of the Phnom Penh Government. Much of what has happened in Cambodia since the communists took control has been told to the world by the r3fugees at Aranyaprathet.

China limits influx from Vietnam

From David Bonavia
Hongkong, July 13

China has acted to stem the flood of ethnic Chinese refugees crossing the border from Vietnam, after the influx caused problems of resettlement, food supplies and health care beyond the resources of local authorities.

From yesterday, Chinese wishing to leave Vietnam must obtain permission from the Chinese Embassy in Hanoi, unless they live in the border areas. They must also have Vietnamese exist visas. Until now the Vietnamese authorities have assisted Chinese to cross the border into China, and the Chinese authorities have attempted to cope with them.

New China News Agency says the tide of refugees has "caused China tremendous difficulties". Among them are said to be spies and secret agents sent to collect military and civil information on the Chinese side, "jeopardizing China's security."

The seriousness of the situation can be judged from the agency's report that border towns of a few thousand people in Kwangsi and Yunnan have had to cope with refugees many times more numerous than their own populations.

Displaced people are living in government offices, crowding hotels and hospitals, and disrupting industry and schools in the border towns. At Hokou in Yunnan, more than 11,000 people have been put up at a hotel with less than 300 beds.

Normal train schedules have been interrupted to run special services out of the beleaguered areas.

Several alleged Vietnamese spies have allegedly been captured and their confessions have been publicized. One man of Chinese origin said the Vietnam public security authorities told him to go to China and obtain information on the strength of Chinese troops and security forces, and other subjects.

The number of refugees from Vietnam in China is now officially put at "more than 100,000", but left-wing newspapers in Hongkong say it is more than 150,000.

Richard Hughes writes from Hongkong: China is expected to cut back the recent mounting flow of legal immigrants into Hongkong, after unofficial approaches to Peking through Whitehall.

When Hongkong decided in 1974 to terminate its role as a sanctuary and to repatriate forcibly illegal immigrants—the so-called "freedom-swimmers"—Peking agreed to restrict the number of visas for legal immigrants to an approximate average of 50 a day.

This year, however, there has been a heavy increase. The total of approved immigrants has already reached 25,781, only 668 short of last year's full total and more than three times the originally promised figure. A record 289 crossed the border last Sunday.

Some of the legal entrants say that the present influx of more than 150,000 Vietnamese Chinese into China has helped to promote China's increased issue of visas for Hongkong.

China approves 'capitalist' wage boost

From Our Correspondent
Hongkong, July 13

Continuing its growing acceptance and encouragement of capitalistic conditions in Hongkong, Peking has quietly approved salary and wage increases of from 10 to 30 per cent for approximately 25,000 employees of Communist Party-controlled banks, stores, factories and trade unions here.

The wage-boost—the first in 10 years—has been back-dated in some cases to the beginning of the year. The increases will range from $HK500 to $HK1,500 (about £55 to £165) a month.

Party - controlled firms usually pay from 10 to 30 per cent less than their Hongkong capitalist counterparts, although fringe benefits in rents, sales discounts and subsidized family holidays to China help to bridge the gap.

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Foreign Report

California's earthquake

Race to replace lost tax dollars

The reverberations of the earthquake known as Proposition 13, which became law in California on July 1, have been felt daily like so many aftershocks throughout the state.

Despite warnings of dire doom, California has not yet disappeared into the Pacific although the effects of the June 7 vote, which cut the state's income by $7,000m (£3.8m), are hurting every facet of the state's social life.

The numerous county and city governments in California have been racing each other to pare services and generate new income to make up for the tax dollars lost when more than four million voters signalled victory for one of the most radical tax revolts since the Boston Tea Party.

Cities and counties in this state of 22 million inhabitants have taken desperate steps to swell their coffers at the expense of the same taxpayer who deprived them of their revenues from the property tax in the first place.

In the past few weeks more than a quarter of California's 417 independent cities and more than half of its 110 counties have introduced measures to boost their revenues.

In the city of Beverly Hills the local government expects to receive $3m by increasing business licence fees. In Downey dog licences have been doubled to $10.

There is hardly a hobby or a habit that has not been touched. Golfers using the Sacramento City course are charged $4.50—an increase of $1. Yacht owners in Newport Beach found their slip fees doubled. Bee keepers in Orange County will have to pay $5 a hive in registrations, and in Inglewood an increased "tippler's tax" on the price of a bar drink has been introduced.

Prices are going up at racetracks and parking is to cost more, as well as water, gas, electricity, telephone and cable television. Charges are being levied for the use of once free neighbourhood swimming pools and there is now an admittance fee at local museums. The city of Los Angeles is bitterly debating whether to charge a $5 a month rubbish collection fee which, it is estimated, would bring in $49m a year.

In the city of Camarillo they are saving money by extinguishing a thousand street lights. In Covina a third of the library staff have been laid off and opening hours cut. Local schools are now charging outsiders for the use of their auditoriums.

Most of this, of course, may sound like penny-pinching stuff but in Sacramento, California's political seat of power, Governor Jerry Brown is making sure he is seen to be acting upon "the will of the people".

Remarkably, Mr Brown has come out of the whole Proposition 13 controversy smelling like a rose. Before it was resoundingly passed by an almost two-to-one margin, the young Governor who is running for reelection in November, vehemently opposed the measure as a "rip-off". But cleverly he has changed horses after the race, has joined the winners and, what is more, has been accepted by them.

Last week, he trimmed $388m from the huge $15,100m budget the state legislature sent him this year and in the process enraged thousands of state workers by rejecting their two and one half per cent cost of living pay rise.

Civil service unions picketed the state capital, denounced the Governor and hissed and booed him when he tried to explain his actions.

But voters at large have shown that they approve anything the Governor does which cuts the cost of government. According to a *Los Angeles Times* poll this week, Mr Brown's popularity is climbing and he is drawing away from his Republican rival Mr Evelle Younger, the Attorney-General.

He continues to cut drastically, though in fact his new budget is still $200m higher than the one approved last year. Among the cuts are: $175m for highway construction; $1m for the air resources board; $2.5m for parks and recreations; $1.8m for alcohol and drug abuse programmes; $8.3m for the health services and a sharp cutback in abortion funds for poor women.

As well as rejecting the 2.5 per cent cost of living increase, he also refused a similar rise for welfare recipients.

But the booby prize for the biggest sufferer in all this post-Proposition 13 austerity drive goes to the city of Oakland. Millions of dollars in state grants which were to have been used to build a new urban development centre have been cut, together with funds for a senior citizens' centre, a solar energy job training programme and an anti-crime project in the predominantly black inner city. Not surprisingly, Oakland officials are very angry, their hopes that the stagnating city could be revitalized having been dashed.

Despite the gloomy predictions after the passage of Proposition 13 for higher education in the Golden State, schools and universities have emerged so far virtually unscathed.

The University of California state universites and colleges ha cuts but they still end up with mor to spend in the coming academic y they had in 1977-78. The commu lege system, which because of its on property tax revenue stood the most, has fared similarly.

In many cases California's $4,00 tax surplus has been tapped to the deficiences and it is predic despite the low property taxes, will have a $5,000m surplus next will be a tribute to the state's e efficient taxing processes.

So far the scarier predictions come to pass although police, civil service unions are threaten actions and court battles to secu pay rises. There have been no dismissals and there are no di upswings in crime or huge add the unemployment or welfare roll

In our small community on the of Los Angeles the main effect instant shutdown of a summer s the children. But many parents made alternative arrangements youngsters during the long holid mid-June to mid-September.

But the most dramatic effect o ition 13 has been outside C Scores of other states are looking the West with envy and complain lators across the country are look their shoulders and whispering th Jarvis and Gann—the backers measure—with trepidation.

Even in Washington the chill change is being acknowledged an the predominant emotion.

Last weekend, Mr Jack Watso dent Carter's cabinet secretary, ad a group of county government le Atlanta struck a note of discord. *I fear is that a healthy and apt* scepticism about what governmen is turning sour. It seems to me, nation we have become preoccup what we are against and moments our vision of what we are for.

"Americans", he continued, engaged in a kind of inexorabl destruction of our political leade ing with the President but exte the leaders of all levels of gov It is almost as if we have lost the to believe or trust anyone once invested them with the author responsibility to lead."

Ivor

New image for Liberia

Healthy democracy without top hats

The old clichés about Liberia are all untrue now. The leaders no longer wear top hats and morning dress. President Tolbert, when I met him in his office, was wearing his usual sensible tropical outfit, without a tie, and most of his Cabinet followed his example at a formal ceremony I was able to watch.

Equally untrue is the idea that the people can be divided into "settlers", or Americo-Liberian descendants of freed slaves and "natives", who are subjugated.

President Tolbert said the country was nearer to being one nation than it had ever been. "President Tubman began his unification and later integration programme. We have nourished the plants he sowed and they have now grown to full flower."

He said the Cabinet now contained largely people of indigenous origin and so did the legislature. In fact, relationships were so close and there was so much intermarriage that it was no longer clear exactly who was "indigenous". It was not something that people talked much about.

What was a type of colonialism has evolved into a healthy democracy. President Tolbert is possibly the only president in Africa determined to give up power at the end of a constitutionally set term—after six more years in his case. His predecessor, President Tubman, skated round constitutional restrictions and stayed in power almost 28 years.

"A lot of the problems in African states come from the people not knowing when a change will take place", President Tolbert said. "If a ruler makes it clear he is not going to allow someone else to get a chance to rule, then the people are likely to say, 'Let's terminate it.' There should be a set period before a leader gets out. If the people want you to come back, let them call you back."

Liberia has not had a coup since 1871, which is an unparalleled record for stability. (Having become independent in 1847, Liberia had a start over the rest of Africa so far as politics goes.) There is only one party with representation in the legislature, the True Whig Party, but it is not a one-party state, in that there is nothing in the constitution that would prevent another party being formed or coming to power. "Whig", incidentally, stands for "We Hope In God" and there is no direct descent from the Reform Bill anti-Tories of Britain.

God figures a good deal in the official life of Liberia, to judge by a ceremony I watched in which two new government ministers were officially installed or "qualified", as they say in Monrovia. It was impressive — very morally earnest, with none of the comic-opera ceremonial that President Tubman used to indulge in.

Prayers began and ended the proceedings. The American-accented oratory was unrestrained, like a revivalist meeting at times, with frequent exhortations. But there was also a good deal of humour and wit.

It was a leisurely affair, ending with everyone lining up to congratulate the new ministers. The air became loud with clicking of fingers because of the odd Liberian habit of ending a handshake with a mutual click. All the talk about selfless service was given more point because the Cabinet changes were caused by a minister being dismissed for "misfeasance"—he was alleged to have condoned irregularities and corrupt acts.

The President seems to be a genuinely popular figure—he is known as "Speedy" Tolbert, partly because of his continual calls for speedy revolution to end poverty and disease and partly because of the way he travels so much around the country meeting the people. His presidential jet is officially called Speedy One. President Tubman always refused to go by air, flying for the first time when he came dying to seek medical aid in Britain in 1971.

President Tolbert is a great man for coining slogans. "Mats to mattresses" was his call for better housing. "Total involvement" is his main aim. This is the "Year of Accountability". He was a former Baptist preacher and his talk sometimes embarrasses cynical Westerners, but there is no doubting his sincerity.

The economy of Liberia is having a bad time at the moment, with the world depression cutting back on the demand for iron ore, the principal export. Some development projects have had to be postponed or abandoned. But



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Kenneth Mack

Return to Cambodia

Grass still cut in parks of a dead city

Nikola Vitorovic spent 10 years in South-East Asia as a correspondent for Belgrade radio and television, four of them in Phnom Penh during Prince Sihanouk's rule. Earlier this year he and four other Yugoslav journalists became the first foreign correspondents to visit Cambodia since the 1975 takeover by the Khmer Rouge. This is his report.

When I was last in Phnom Penh eight years ago, the bodies of hundreds of Vietnamese killed by the new regime of Lon Nol, were floating down the Mekong River. When I returned to the city I knew so well it seemed like a dream to me.

As we drove slowly from Pochentong airport to the city centre, only the dead traffic lights suggested that something was wrong. The capital of the Khmers was deserted but one might have thought that its inhabitants were having their usual afternoon siesta.

During the two weeks I stayed in Cambodia, my impressions confirmed what was already known. Towns, considered to be the "centres of parasites and prostitutes", of "evil imperialists and neo-colonialist culture", are not essential to the new regime.

When the Khmer Rouge entered Phnom Penh on April 17, 1975, the populations of the capital, Kompong Soma, Batambanga and other towns were evacuated.

Mr Pol Pot, the Cambodian leader, explained: "This decision was not planned in advance. We studied the situation on the spot and we came to the conclusion that it was indispensible to send the town population to the country where cooperatives can not only feed and house them, but where they would also participate in production.

"These were economic reasons, but there were political reasons too. The plan of the imperialists and of Lon Nol was to create trouble after we captured Phnom Penh. We have thwarted their plan."

Streets in the capital of Cambodia no longer have names and all traffic signs have been painted white. But everything is tidy and clean and grass in public parks has been cut.

Almost all advertisement hoardings have been removed, although, inexplicably, those of IBM and Air France remain, standing above tidy lanes of vegetables which grow on the pavements of the capital.

A rare car, an occasional cyclist with a gun on his shoulder, buses carrying Chinese or Korean technicians, lorries transporting rubbish or taking workers to work, are the only traffic seen in the capital.

The outskirts, where the factories are situated, are gradually being repopulated.

While we were there, Radio Phnom Penh announced that about 20,000 people had attended a public meeting which gives an approximation of the number of people left in the capital.

The regime has closed all secondary and high schools. "Priority", said Mrs Yun Yat, the Minister of Culture and Education", is improving the material lot of the people. All other problems will be resolved according to possibilities. This applies to schools too. The cadres educated during the revolution play the principal role."

Mr Pol Pot said that technical personnel will, to a certain extent, be trained at home. If necessary, they will be sent abroad for specialized training.

Villages now have priority over towns because it is the "poor peasant who carried the brunt of the revolution on his shoulders and to whom therefore everything must be subordinated", officials say.

The villages have also had to absorb the population from the towns. About 3,500,000 people now live and work in cooperatives. They are the organizational nucleus of Cambodia's new society, which, officials are at pains to emphasize, is being built on "nobody's model".

Construction of a vast irrigation system which would ensure two, and in some places even three, rice harvests a year, is explained by the slogan: "If you have rice you have everything."

Cambodia has always been dependent on exports of rice, about 40,000 tons of rubber and smaller quantities of coffee. The country has no oil of any kind. Thus, since has been abolished an safes of the National Ban not been opened for three in spite of the general a tion that they are filled gold, precious stones and currency, rice is gold.

Cooperatives exchange in a sort of barter arrang with the Government. In r they get salt, one black suit per head annually, petrol, which is imported China, for the few tractor trucks.

That the enormous migration from the towns not without its difficulties victims was evident from who took advantage of the sence of Vietnamese troo Cambodia to flee to Viet

But neither in coopera nor on construction sites we see any large numbe armed men. Here and we did see a guard with a dressed in the same pyjama suit worn by other bers of the cooperatives. in the frontier zone with nam, in the province of T we did not notice any si concentration of troops. soldiers work in the fields carry their hoe along with gun", we were told.

Historians do not find a pa lel for the present social m in Cambodia. For the soci gist, it is unexplored grou The country is a unique lab tory in the world.

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Minister refuses to allow group f MPs to visit the Maze: fear hat trouble would be intensified

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Joan Maynard (Sheffield, Hillside, Lab) had asked the
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Concannon (Mansfield, Lab)—
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Maynard—If a deputation of
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Concannon—What has hap-
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If I were to announce a deputation of MPs to HMP Maze I would have an intensification of the efforts of those inside. Their efforts are to get special category status and the House has said clearly more than once that it wishes to see this status ended.

I am doing all I can to pursue this aim. I wish every MP would back me to the hilt.

Mr Tom Litterick (Birmingham, Selly Oak, Lab)—Miss Maynard was asking not about a general interest visit but about the possibility of a specific interest visit to examine at first hand, by talking to those involved, staff and inmates, the circumstances in which the present situation has arisen.

Mr Concannon—The present circumstances arose because of a straight protest over wanting special category status. The House has said this should end. I am trying to end this situation and it is working.

If MPs want to help these people, I can tell them that if they press a visit now they will only be giving succour to those who are doing some deplorable things in their cells which I find disgusting.

Their actions are keeping them in prison all that much longer. They have lost over 300 years remission of sentence. When one considers some of the heinous crimes of these people, I am not sorry we are keeping them in prison a little longer.

Mr John Farr (Harborough, C)—Many feel a visit at this time by MPs, bearing in mind the composition of a possible group, would only do more harm than good.

Mr Concannon—That is my position at the moment. Constituency MPs, and MPs who represent these constituents, will not of course be affected. Most of those MPs have visited the prisons recently.

Mr Martin Flannery (Sheffield, Hillsborough, Lab)—He is unduly touchy about this particular question, in the way he imputed a wrong motive to Miss Maynard. There is no unanimity in this House, however much the Ulster MPs cheer him every time he speaks.

In view of the Amnesty International report, if he does not allow MPs to visit the jail there will be a feeling among the general public that we have something to hide. We will be doing democracy good by allowing MPs to visit it.

Mr Concannon—I reject what he says. I do not know what Amnesty International has to do with this prison at present.

Anyone who visited the prison under normal circumstances knows it is new, one of the best in Europe, with the best facilities.

It is only a minority of the prisoners involved, limited to two cell blocks out of eight.

If he requires and wishes to uplift the trouble that I already have in these prisons, he should carry on with what he is doing. They will hinge on everything he says and is doing and will make our problems in settling these prisons down and ending special category status, all that much more difficult.

Mr James Molyneaux (South Antrim, UU)—The presence of such a deputation would play into the hands of the terrorists' propaganda machine. It would inhibit severely efforts of himself, the prison authorities and all engaged in the welfare of the prisoners in restoring normal discipline to the prison and that includes the abolition of special category status.

Mr Concannon—I think he made a visit with other MPs not too long ago. I think he understands the situation and the propaganda value of visits such as that of a deputation.

Hazardous loads on the roads of Britain

It was important to draw every possible lesson that one could from the appalling tragedy in Spain, Mr Michael Foot, Lord President of the Council (Ebbw Vale, Lab) said

Mr William Molloy (Ealing, North, Lab) had called for a debate and an inquiry into the safety of lorries carrying hazardous consignments on roads in Britain to ensure that the terrible tragedy in Spain did not happen here.

Mr Foot—I fully accept what Mr Molloy says about the great importance of this subject. I am not seeking to minimize it.

Whether the best way is to have a debate is another question—the time available for debate is severely restricted—but that does not minimize the importance of trying to draw every possible lesson we can from this appalling tragedy.

Sir Bernard Braine (South-East Essex, C), supporting the request for a debate, said that Canvey Island was the most endangered community in the country.

Mr Foot—I fully accept what Sir B. Braine says. I understand the Secretary of State for Transport (Mr William Rodgers) has already initiated inquiries and investigations into the matter.

Mr Thomas Litterick (Birmingham, Selly Oak, Lab) asked—Will he consider the distress being felt by the readers of women's magazines at the discovery that the laws governing the royal succession are at odds with the Sex Discrimination Act?

Mr Foot—I am prepared to devote my mind to the subject but I cannot promise any legislation.

Mr Keith Hampson (Ripon, C)—A serious accusation had been made in a section of the press against the Secretary of State for Education and Science (Mrs Shirley Williams) that she ordered the destruction and then engaged in a cover-up of the existence of a reports by her inspectors on 10 bad schools at a time when she was publishing a report on 10 good schools.

Mr Foot—I am not sure in what section of the press that absurd charge was made, but I am sure it will be dismissed by all members of the House in the proper way. (Labour cheers.)

'Speak out for Britain' comment by PM annoys Opposition

Mrs Thatcher ought now and again to speak out and say a good word for Britain, Mr James Callaghan, the Prime Minister, said during noisy question time exchanges. He was sorry the Leader of the Opposition felt it necessary to denigrate the efforts of this country. And a little humility from her would not come amiss.

Mrs Thatcher (Barnet, Finchley, C), who protested that it was Britain's Government she was criticizing, had raised the subject of the forthcoming Bonn summit.

Will Mr Callaghan (she said) ask the leaders of the other countries present how it is their governments have done so much better than his in the past four years in the same world conditions and without the benefit of North Sea oil?

How does he explain that his Government are either bottom of the league or next to bottom in the matter of jobs, prices, output and growth? (Conservative cheers.)

Mr Callaghan—I am always ready to learn from anybody to try to improve the situation in this country. I am sorry she feels it is necessary to denigrate the efforts of this country—(Conservative protests)—when there has been so much improvement in so many of the factors she has referred to during the past four years.

While we all ought to be ready to learn lessons from each other, Mrs Thatcher ought now and again to speak up and say a good word for Britain. (Loud Labour cheers and Conservative protests.)

Mrs Thatcher—It was Britain's Government I was criticizing. How in the same world conditions and without the benefits of North Sea oil has his Government done so much worse than the governments of the other countries present at Bonn?

Mr Calaghan—She is not accurate We had to take over from an administration—I do not recall any of my colleagues taking over—a three-day week, the worst industrial confrontation that this country has seen since the early part of the twentieth century, vast balance of payments deficit which we have now put right, and of a rising retail price index which is now going down.

All these things we have remedied. Mrs Thatcher was a member of the previous administration, a little humility from her would not come amiss. (Loud Labour cheers.)

Mrs Thatcher—All of the information I have used has come from written answers in *Hansard* either this month or last. What is inaccurate about the figures?

Mr Callaghan—I will be glad to look into them. I have had occasion before to remark on the way in which the Opposition twist the use of statistics. (Renewed protests.)

Mr Enoch Powell (South Down, UU)—If Mr Callaghan has any time in preparation for the meeting at Bonn, he should resolve not to enter into any scheme, whether it is proposed at Bremen, Bonn or anywhere else beginning with B, which involves the principle of fixed exchange rates which have done more harm over the last 30 years to the economy and morale of this country than any other single factor.

Mr Callaghan—There is no intention of entering into a commitment, nor will we be asked to at Bonn. There is a great intellectual discussion between Mr Powell and many others similarly profound on the question of whether fixed exchange rates have been a problem or not.

I have no doubt a zone of stability is to be preferred to much of the speculative consequences that flow from the present system. If we can get something between the two, I would be happy.

Mr Peter Tapsell (Horncastle, C)—Does his statement that the price index is going down apply to the products of nationalized industries, or is that statement to be repudiated like his earlier assurance to me that the cost of living index would never start rising again into double figures?

Mr Callaghan—He is misleading the House once more. He forgets I added the coda: "Provided we stick to our existing policies." Why does he not quote me in full if he is going to quote me at all?

As to the retail price index, he should wait until tomorrow (Friday) and see what figure is published. We shall then see whether the rate of inflation is moving up or down.

I have a feeling that contrary to the national interest, and in accordance with their normal prejudices, the Opposition are going to be disappointed to find the rate of inflation is still going down.

As to whether we can continue to keep it there, that depends upon following the policies we have enunciated and which I am struggling to do without any help at all from Mr Tapsell.

Anderson case: No action by minister

Mr Bruce Millan, Secretary of State for Scotland, in a written reply, indicated that no fresh issue was raised in the debate in the House of Lords on July 4 that would justify him taking a prerogative decision in the case of Mr Donald Anderson, QC, Solicitor General for Scotland, 1960-64 and former Chief Reporter for public inquiries as an Under Secretary in the Scottish Office.

He said he had examined with great care the detailed representations made by Mr Anderson and others. He had also considered the representations made in the House of Lords that he should either recommend the exercise of the Royal Prerogative in favour of Mr Anderson or institute an independent inquiry.

He continued.—Recommendations for the exercise of the Royal Prerogative are clearly matters for the personal decision of the Secretary of State.

I would rightly be criticized if I intervened lightly or unjustifiably to overturn decisions of courts of law; in a case such as this it would be wrong of me to substitute myself for the Sheriff, who heard the evidence under oath and subject to cross-examination, or for the Appeal Court.

In considering whether to recommend a free pardon the principal issue I face is this—are there any factors of substance which constitute grounds for my believing that the verdict of guilty recorded against the person involved may be a miscarriage of justice?

I appreciate that the present form of appeal in Scotland open to those tried under summary procedure does not permit a full review of the evidence heard by the Sheriff or of his verdict; but it is certainly not a sufficient ground for recommending a free pardon in any particular case that there has been criticism of the appeal procedure prescribed by law and followed in that case.

Against that background, I have taken into account criticisms made of the evidence in court in the case against Mr Anderson. In addition, as is proper in aprerogative case, I have considered factors of substance which were not before the court but which bear on the question of Mr Anderson's innocence or guilt.

I refer to the fact that, as is not disputed, Mr Anderson made two separate relevant admissions to senior officials before his trial, and to a number of subsequent explanations he has given of why those admissions were made.

Mr Anderson saw the then Crown Agent and subsequently wrote two letters to him before his trial. He wrote the first of these on December 26, 1972, giving a description of an encounter with two girls on the night of December 18 which was inconsistent with his subsequent alibi defence.

He wrote a second letter on January 12, 1973 (following receipt of the complaint from the Procurator Fiscal) to the effect that he had wrongly placed the incident with the two girls and that it had taken place a week earlier.

He subsequently stated that this second account was untrue and has said that no such incident occurred. Both these letters have been widely circulated by Mr Anderson, and I am placing copies in the Libraries.

On January 10, 1973, following his receipt of the complaint from the Procurator Fiscal, Mr Anderson also made an admission to the same effect as that in his letter of December 26 at a meeting with the then Permanent Under Secretary of State at the Scottish Office. A record was made of that meeting in an internal memorandum in the Scottish Office.

Mr Anderson has asked to see the memorandum, and in all the circumstances I have decided to supply him with a copy and to put a copy in the Libraries.

I am aware of no other factors bearing upon Mr Anderson's conviction that are relevant to my prerogative decision. No fresh issue was raised in the debate in another place to justify a departure from my previous decision.

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Denigration campaign against army in Ulster

Regret at the tragic combination of circumstances which led to the death of John Boyle in Dunloy on July 11 was expressed by Mr Roy Mason, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

He said that the general level of violence in the Province had remained relatively low. Terrorist attacks continued, however, particularly against members of the security forces. The murder yesterday of Private Fisher brought to 19 the number of security force personnel killed this year. In the same period last year there were 30 such deaths.

The police and the army (he said) remain alert to the terrorists' capability and are maintaining their drive to bring to justice those responsible for violence. So far this year 497 people have been charged with serious terrorist offences including 43 with murder and 55 with attempted murder.

Mr William Craig (Belfast, East, Vanguard)—Most people are appreciative of the progress made by the security forces. There is a growing campaign to denigrate the work of the security forces. They operate under enormous difficulties and dangers. If allegations are made he should bear in mind that the security forces have shown remarkable restraint and operate under the most difficult circumstances.

Mr Mason—We must continually use the process of law in Northern Ireland. When we arrest a person there must be a charge that can stick and processed through courts of law.

There is a denigratory campaign against the security forces all the time in Northern Ireland. We in this House in particular have to be aware of it.

The Rev Robert Bradford (Belfast South, UU)—Will he consider proscribing the Provisional Sinn Fein, this group of people masquerading behind a political label who have no policies on housing, education, or any other genuine political matter?

Mr Mason—I had not got in mind proscribing the PSF, the political wing of the Provisional IRA. I always bear in mind that if the Provisional IRA want to prove they have got any political backing or any following in the community they will have the opportunity of doing so by letting the PSF stand in the elections, local elections as for Westminster. That is the way—through the ballot box—to see what strength they have.

Mr Gerard Fitt (Belfast, West, SDLP)—The tragic death of John Boyle has created a deep sense of outrage throughout the community. In any inquiries about this will the RUC have any powers in determining the written instructions on the yellow cards?

Mr Mason—The yellow card instructions have been laid down by this House, not the RUC. I was personally saddened at the death of this young man. There is a full RUC investigation taking place. That is the normal course. There will be a public inquest.

Scotland and Wales week

The main business in the House of Commons next week will be:

Monday: Scotland Bill, consideration of Lords amendments, second day.

Tuesday: Scotland Bill, consideration of Lords amendments, final day. Timetable motion on Lords amendments to Wales Bill.

Wednesday: Wales Bill, consideration of Lords amendments, first day.

Thursday: Wales Bill, consideration of Lords amendments, final day.

Friday: Consideration of Lords amendments to a number of Bills.

The main business in the house of Lords next week will be:

Monday: Debates on EEC sheepmeat regime and on British aerospace policy.

Tuesday: Homes Insulation Bill, committee. Parliamentary Pensions Bill, committee. Debate on aid for victims of crime.

Wednesday: Finance Bill, all stages. Transport Bill, third reading.

Thursday: Scotland Bill, consideration of Commons reasons for rejecting Lords amendments.

Friday: Scotland Bill, consideration of Commons reasons for rejecting Lords amendments if not completed on Thursday.

Capital transfer tax relief on retirement from business

The Government defeated an amendment moved by Mr Graham Page (Crosby, C) dealing with capital allowances on long leases, when the report stage of the Finance Bill was resumed.

Mr Page said the amendment would allow the lessor and lessee three years after the date on which the original lessee was first entitled to possession under the lease, in which to elect which one of them was to have the grant.

He said the allowances were granted to the person holding what was termed the relevant interest and it often occurred that the lessee, under a proposed long lease, carried out some of the work which would attract a grant. When this happened it was doubtful whether the lessor or lessee should be the beneficiary. The Bill gave them two years to decide who should have the grant.

Mr Denzil Davies, Minister of State, Treasury (Llanelli, Lab) said two years was a reasonable time. The Treasury had examined the matter after debate in committee and he considered no hardship would be caused.

The amendment was rejected by 259 votes to 231—Government majority, 28.

Capital gains tax: A series of Government amendments to implement undertakings given by the Government in committee relating to the lower rate of charge for capital gains tax was moved by Mr Denzil Davies, Minister of State, Treasury.

He said they extended reliefs under Clause 36 (Relief for gains less than £9,500) from capital gains tax to the trustees of settlements for a mentally disabled person or persons in receipt of attendance allowance and provided exemption for all other trustees where settlement was made before June 7, 1978.

Those two parts met an undertaking of the Chief Secretary (Mr Joel Barnett) to produce an interim measure pending the outcome of wider consultations on the possible form of a long-term solution.

The third part extended full reliefs under Clause 36 to personal representatives from gains accruing to them in the year of death and in the two following years of assessment.

Mr Anthony Newton (Braintree, C) said that what was proposed revealed the problems that were likely to arise when the Government attached excessive importance to not allowing additional benefit to people of whom they did not quite approve and therefore tried to draw a difficult distinction between approved and disapproved people for the purposes of taxation.

The Government had rightly accepted that it would be unfair if trusts set up for the benefit of disabled people in broad terms were not to get reasonable tax advantages under these proposals. They had not been prepared to allow those advantages to trusts generally.

It was when the physically disabled were considered that the possible absurdities and anomalies in what the Government were proposing emerged. The only physically disabled who would benefit from the concession in the new schedule were those who were in receipt of attendance allowance and to qualify for that allowance it was necessary to be severely disabled.

The amendments were agreed to.

Woodlands: A group of Government amendments to Clause 38 (Relief for gifts of business assets) and the associated schedule were agreed to, extending this relief to include the activity of commercially managed woodlands.

Retirement and CTT: A series of amendments to Clause 40 (Transfer of business on retirement) designed to give a scaled-down capital transfer tax retirement relief where the business which was being disposed of had been owned for less than 10 years at the time of disposal, was moved by Mr Denzil Davies.

Mr Douglas Henderson (East Aberdeenshire, Scot Nat) said it was slightly inhuman for the Government to expect fishermen to go to sea at the age of 60 or 65 and face hazards without at least giving them the option of the capital transfer tax provisions which would allow them to pass on their share in the boat to their sons at the age of 55.

Mr Nigel Lawson, an Opposition spokesman on Treasury affairs (Blaby, C), said there were many cases where before a man reached 60 he suffered a heart attack and was told on medical grounds he must retire or sell up. He was forced to choose between literally going on and killing himself in order to wait until 60 when he could get relief, or to retire prematurely and forfeit the relief altogether.

Mr Davies said there might be many people who did not form a recognized group or category who were still engaged in a hazardous business and would wish to get the benefit of this kind of relief. The only way to deal with this problem in the end would be by looking at the actual age of retirement and deciding whether 65 was too high.

A provision in the Bill covered the point where a rather might want to pass on a boat to his son: the transfer would be relieved from capital gains tax. Problems only arose if the boat was sold on early retirement because capital gains tax would apply.

The amendments were agreed to.

Cheers for the Lord Chancellor's Welsh

House of Lords

The language of Heaven—otherwise known as Welsh—was heard from the lips of the Lord Chancellor when he spoke on an Opposition amendment setting out their proposed form of words for the referendum ballot paper on the Welsh Assembly.

Peers cheered as Lord Elwyn-Jones, during the third reading stage of the Wales Bill, read out in Welsh the question which it is proposed to put to the people of Wales.

Lord Elton (C), for the Opposition, moved the amendment setting out the question to be put in English and Welsh, the instructions and the voting space against the question "Yes-Ydwyf" or "No-Nac ydwyf".

He said that many persisted in regarding the Opposition as determined to destroy what they regarded as a beautiful debutante on the stage. This was as good an opportunity as any to say that, if, in spite of Conservative advice, and the defects in the Bill which they had tried to bring to public notice, the Welsh people felt they wanted the assembly, then good luck to them. It was their choice, their future, their government.

The best they could do was to make sure the choice was put to them fairly so that they could make a decision themselves.

Even if the amendment was said to be superfluous and the ballot paper would emerge with Welsh upon it it was not superfluous because this was a great occasion.

Let us enter into the spirit of the thing (he said) and the spirit of the thing is Welsh.

The Opposition had got together with the Welsh Office on this matter. His advisers had been complimented on their work. That work had been improved and what they now had was correct Welsh.

The Lord Chancellor then read the amendment in full: "Mae'r Senedd wedi penderfynu ymgynghori ag etholwyr Cymru ynglyn a ddylid gweithredu Deddf Cymru 1978." (Cheers.)

Do you want the provisions of the Wales Act, 1978, to be put into effect?

A ydych am i ddarpariaethau Deddf Cymru, 1978, gael eu gweithredu?

Put a cross (X) in the appropriate box.

Rhowch groes X yn y blwch cymwys.

He said that he had been so moved by the tremendous eloquence of Lord Elton and his wish to make this gracious gesture to the Welsh language and the Welsh people, that he thought Lord Elton might have exerted himself and read it in the language of heaven.

The ballot paper which would be used would be bilingual.

The only issue was whether the Welsh language version should be inserted in the Bill or produced under the existing authority of the Welsh Language Act.

The amendment was unnecessary, charming though the debate had been.

The amendment was agreed to.

Earlier an Opposition amendment to Schedule 11 (Amendments to enactments) to give the Secretary of State an appeal above the assembly over proposals by local education authorities to establish new schools or make changes in the character or size of school premises was carried by 101 votes to 74—majority against the Government, 27.

On the motion that the Bill should now pass, the Lord Chancellor said there was no widespread demand in Wales for a legislative assembly, but deep concern that the activities of ministers and nominated bodies should be submitted to closer democratic scrutiny than the existing system allowed. This scheme of executive devolution was specifically designed to meet those needs.

Lord Elton, for the Opposition, said that the Government proposed to place an extra burden of government on the shoulders of the Welsh people.

They had spent nine parliamentary days on the Bill which would turn out to be a nine-day wonder, examined with curiosity in future and then forgotten with relief.

The motion was agreed to.

House adjourned, 6.55 pm.

Ridiculous plan for mowers

Mr Michael Brotherton (Louth, C) asked the Secretary of State for the Environment to make representations to the EEC Commission to the effect that if the EEC directive on lawnmower noise was implemented, British-made lawnmowers will be unable to be used to cut grass.

Mr Peter Shore said in a written reply—There is no EEC directive on lawnmower noise. We believe that the Commission intend shortly to put a formal proposal for such a directive to the Council. We shall then be able to give Parliament a detailed account of the position.

Representatives of the United Kingdom have attended consultative meetings held by the Commission at all stages and they have made the views of the British Lawnmower Manufacturers Federation quite clear to the Commission.

I have no intention of agreeing to any such directive which might emerge.

Mr Brotherton also asked Mr Shore what representations he has received from British lawnmower manufacturers concerning the EEC directive on lawnmower noise.

Mr Shore—My department has consulted the British Lawnmower manufacturing industry at all stages since the EEC Commission began work in 1975 on the ridiculous draft proposals for a directive on noise from lawnmowers and is fully seized of the industry's views.

Effect of alcohol on industry 'hard to assess'

Mr Peter Hardy (Rother Valley, Lab) asked the Secretary of State for Employment what was his estimate of the annual cost to British industry of absences, accidents and errors due to the excessive consumption of alcohol.

Mr John Grant, Under Secretary, in a written reply, said—There is no precise information available. The financial cost to industry is difficult to assess, primarily because of the problem of correlating absenteeism, accidents and errors with the incidence of excessive alcoholic consumption.

However, I have noted that estimates have been made varying from £100m to £350m a year.

Testing lorry exhausts

Mr John Horam, Under Secretary for Transport, in a written reply, said—New diesel-engined lorries already have to be tested for compliance with specific smoke limits; we are discussing with other countries in the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe possible limits for gaseous emissions

There are more general regulations to limit emissions from existing vehicles: work is well advanced on developing a more effective method for testing such emissions.

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Club of Rome' gloom on mankind

Peter Nichols
, July 13
tenth anniversary mee-
of the "Club of Rome", a
te body concerning itself
humanity's future pros-
opened here today with
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10 years are left before
ons must be taken to
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n fortunes".
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rdly goes beyond their
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without reaching econo-
r political unity. For the
d Nations, it is the
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should set the pace."
r since its formation, the
of Rome" had empha-
that the technological
scientific revolutions and
rowing complexity of life
lead to a period of extreme alternatives, Signor Peccei said. Unprecedented human fulfilment and ultimate catastrophe were both possible.

In the past 10 years, the movement believes, the situation has substantially deteriorated and adverse trends are gradually gaining ground.

The perception that the current general crisis was going to get worse before it could eventually be turned round was blunted by reluctance to face up squarely to unpleasant realities, Signor Peccei said.

"We prefer to trust in the miracles of science and technology, and even believe in the promises of politicians, the art of diplomacy and the beneficial effects of international declarations and resolutions rather than make the effort of assessing the situation thoroughly and comprehensively."

Signor Peccei said mankind was striding rapidly towards a momentous crossroads where there could be no place for mistakes. Yet its values, institutions and bearing remained a reflection of the past and certainly could not carry it safely into the future.

He said the greatest single problem was global over-population due to modern man's incapacity or unwillingness to control his own runaway numbers. Demographic pressure was subjecting the human system to new, unbearable burdens when its condition was already critical. More than one third of the population lived below the poverty line. There were no long-term plans to settle the new waves of population decently.

"Merely to build the physical infrastructure of the human habitat required before the end of the century—houses, schools, hospitals, whole cities, roads, harbours, factories and so on—entails a job similar to the one mankind has taken from the Middle Ages to complete.

"In itself this would be a colossal enterprise, tantamount to founding a 'second world' in a couple of decades, but lack of foresight will make it well-nigh impossible, while producing untold new problems and suffering."

Signor Peccei said there were no ideas for finding work for the 300 million ablebodied men and women now unemployed or on how to create the 1,000 million more jobs indispensable during the 1980s and 1990s. Not even the industrial nations of the West knew how to absorb their 16 million unemployed and at the same time check inflation.

The basic political philosophy of territorial sovereignty, dividing the world into more than 150 self-righteous sovereign entities, "contrasts sharply with the reality of interdependence, thus causing the entire system to be ungovernable, and kills the spirit of world solidarity without which there can really be no future".

Muslim leader starts 'holy war' to win democracy

Teheran, July 13.—Iran's religious opposition, which has sponsored anti-Government demonstrations for many years, has proclaimed a holy war to win democracy through the ballot box.

The country's Shiite Muslim leader, Ayatollah Shariat Madari, interviewed yesterday in QOM—a religious centre 115 miles south of Teheran—said a proclamation on elections was due in about nine months, and in another three months from then the Iranian lower house of Parliament, the Majlis, would be replaced.

"If free elections are held we will tell people they should elect religious-minded candidates. We will ask our representatives throughout the country to send us their lists of nominees for our scrutiny", the Ayatollah said.

He gave a warning that if free elections were not held next June, there would be two reactions from religious leaders. "Firstly we will proclaim that there is no legal parliament in the country. Secondly, people can then start protesting and there may be a revolution", he said.

The Ayatollah said Iranians were "neither satisfied nor hopeful" about the action of the ruling Rastkhiz (Resurgence) Party. He also criticized the "liberalization" programme introduced by the Government in May, which he said had conceded "only 1 per cent" of the people's demands.

Iranians were not ready to accept communism at this stage, but if the people's demands were not met "they are likely to accept anything, including communism, that comes their way", he added.

For the past six months, regular and often bloody clashes between police and demonstrators with religious backing have flared up roughly every 40 days—the Muslim period of mourning.

Until this week, religious leaders had given no sign that they intended to join the political fray. Their dramatic change of tactics was today interpreted by observers as a challenge.

The religious opposition has thus switched its battle with the Shah's regime to new ground, and by operating within the system instead of from outside could prove even more formidable than in the past observers said.—Agence France-Presse.

Krakatoa erupts again

Jakarta, July 13.—Krakatoa volcano in Indonesia, which 95 years ago exploded with a bang heard 3,000 miles away and caused tidal waves which killed 36,000 people, is once more spouting smoke and pumice.

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A condition attached to a planning permission granted in 1962 to a rubber company to use two wartime hangars in rural land as warehouses for storing synthetic rubber provided the buildings were removed at the end of 1972 was held to be valid.

The Court of Appeal, in reserved judgments, allowed an appeal by Newbury District Council from the dismissal by the Divisional Court (the Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Michael Davies and Mr Justice Robert Goff) ([1977] 75 LGR 608) of its appeal against the quashing by the Secretary of State of enforcement notices requiring the International Synthetic Rubber Co Ltd (ISR) to remove two former aircraft hangars from land which was formerly the Membury wartime airfield in Berkshire.

From 1955 to 1959 the hangars had been used by the Home Office for storing "mothballed" civil defence vehicles. In 1959 planning permission was granted for the buildings to be used for the storage of agricultural products on condition that the buildings were removed by the end of 1972. In July, 1962, ISR bought the hangars and the lease of the land on which they stood, having obtained planning permission to store synthetic rubber conditionally on the removal of the hangars by the end of 1972. ISR had not removed them. Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was refused.

Mr Peter Boydell, QC, and Mr Robert Gray for the council; Mr Christopher Symons for the Secretary of State: Mr David Widdicombe, QC, and Mr Anthony Anderson for ISR.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that during the last war the Crown requisitioned a delightful stretch of rural country next to a Stone Age earthworks called Membury Fort and turned it into an airfield, with concrete runways and huge hangars. After the war the area was gradually restored to agricultural use. At first food supplies were stored in the hangars. Then the Home Office used them for storing away self-propelled fire pumps (Green Goddesses) and other vehicles.

In 1961 family trustees, who had obtained planning permission to use the hangars for storing agricultural products provided that the buildings were removed at the end of 1970, bought the freehold of the site from the Crown and granted a lease back to the Crown for 40 years. Then ISR became interested in using the hangars for storing synthetic rubber. On May 31, 1962, ISR were given planning permission to use the two hangars as warehouses on condition that the buildings were removed at the expiration of the period ending December 31, 1972.

On July 26, 1962, ISR bought the 40 year lease from the Crown at an auction at Newbury for £22,000. The particulars of sale quoted from the development plan. ISR knew that they had to remove the hangars by December 31, 1972, yet they sought to say that they were not so bound.

ISR used the hangars for storing synthetic rubber for several years. In 1970 they applied for an extension for 30 years. In January, 1971, Hungerford Rural District Council refused it, saying that the proposal conflicted with the county development plan; that it was in an area of outstanding natural beauty; and that the development represented "undesirable alien intrusion into the rural landscape".

ISR continued to use the hangars after December 31, 1972, in defiance of the condition. In 1973 the council served enforcement notices. ISR appealed to the minister, contending that the condition was void or that they were authorized to use the hangars as warehouses.

There was a local inquiry. The inspector thought that on planning merits the hangars ought to be removed as they were "large, prominent and ugly", but he considered that the condition requiring their removal was void because it was "a condition extraneous to the proposed use".

The minister in a letter of July, 1975, held that the condition was invalid; that the planning permission itself was void as in *Hall & Co Ltd v Shoreham-by-Sea UDC* ([1964] 1 WLR 240); but that though the hangars were unsightly ISR had an indefeasible right to go on using them because they had started to do so before 1963 (section 87 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1971).

The local authority's appeal was dismissed by the Divisional Court, and their appeal was now resisted by ISR and the minister.

The minister's view, contained in a circular (5/68 of 1968), was that when a local planning authority granted permission to change the use of an existing building it could impose a condition limiting the period of time when the building could be so used but it could not require the building to be removed at the end of that time; the *Pix Granite* case ([1958] QB 554, 572) approved in the House of Lords in *Fawcett Properties Ltd v Buckingham County Council* ([1961] AC 636, 674, 685) and the *Mixnam's Properties* case ([1965] AC 735, 751, 761). The ministry thought that a condition, to be valid, must fairly and reasonably relate to the change of use.

A condition could limit the period of use to 10 years but it could not require the pulling down of the building after 10 years. If the ministry's view was right, it would lead to the remarkable result that the only way that the local planning authority could get the hideous hangars removed would be under section 51 or 52 of the 1971 Act and the payment of a large sum of compensation to ISR under section 170.

His Lordship thought that the ministry's view was wrong. They had put too narrow a construction on his words in *Pyx Granite* and did not have sufficient regard to the provisions of the development plan or the generality of section 29(1) which gave power to a local planning authority to grant planning permission "either unconditionally or subject to such conditions as they think fit".

ISR's application should be interpreted as an application for "temporary use". A condition which specified a period of "temporary use" and a condition which required removal at the end of that period both related fairly and reasonably to the permitted development, to the temporary use.

Then ISR said that they did not need to ask for planning permission in 1962. The Use Classes Order 1950, Class X, said that development did not include "use as a wholesale warehouse or repository for any purpose". His Lordship's opinion was that no one conversant with the English language would dream of calling those hangars a "repository" when filled with fire-pumps or synthetic rubber.

In any case, could ISR, having accepted the grant of planning permission in 1962 (subject to the condition of removal), now turn round and say that they did not need planning permission at all? Could they blow hot and cold?

Cases had been cited both ways. The maxim of law and equity was: *Qui sentit commodum sentire debet et onus*: he who took the benefit must accept it with the burdens that went with it. That maxim applied.

In 1962 ISR were given planning permission to use the hangars for the next 10 years on condition that they removed them at the end of 1972. ISR did not honour that obligation. They had raised issues and had fought them with much tenacity and at great expense ever since. The delays had gone beyond all bounds. After six years the hangars were still there. It was high time that they were removed and obliterated from the landscape. The appeal should be allowed.

LORD JUSTICE LAWTON, agreeing, said that the planning permission granted to ISR was for a temporary change of use. There was nothing oppressive about the condition. The minister had tied his hands with restrictions that did not exist. The condition requiring the removal of the buildings was not unreasonable. There had been no prior lawful existing use of which ISR could take advantage. It was not necessary to decide the appeal on the basis of the maxim *Qui sentit commodum sentire debet et onus*.

LORD JUSTICE BROWNE, also agreeing, said that in the circumstances of the case the condition did "fairly and reasonably relate to the permitted development" of the land in question, ie, the temporary use of the hangars.

Whether one applied the ordinary meaning of the word "repository" or that given in *G. Percy Trentham Ltd v Gloucestershire County Council* ([1966] 1 WLR 506, 512) the use by the Home Office was not "use as a repository". As at present advised his Lordship did not agree with the Master of the Rolls on the point as to blowing hot and cold, but the point did not arise.

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Those were very serious libels which the plaintiffs found extremely hurtful and embarrassing and which were likely to do them considerable damage professionally. They felt they had no choice but to bring the present action.

The BBC and Miss Rantzen now accepted that the allegations they made against the plaintiffs were untrue and unfair and they had come to the court to apologize to the plaintiffs. They had also agreed to pay each of the plaintiffs a substantial sum of damages, as well as costs, and they had undertaken not to repeat the matters complained of. In those circumstances, the plaintiffs were content to let the matter rest.

Mr John Previté, for the BBC and Miss Rantzen, said that he accepted what Mr Rampton had said. The account of Mrs Applegarth's case was compiled and broadcast in good faith, but now that additional facts had emerged since the broadcast they recognized that their attack on the plaintiffs was wholly misconceived. Accordingly, they offered the plaintiffs their sincere apologies.

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J. R. Adams, G; M. P. Benny, G; Rosalind H. Bush, G; R. C. Dixon, M; K. M. H. Donald, G; A. D. Goodman, I; J. V. P. Gordon, I; E. C. Harris, G; T. K. Harrison, I; R. A. Haworth, I; R. Jacobs, L; N. J. H. Jones, G; A. N. Keano, I; N. R. Moore, M; M. A. C. Prevatt, I; S. Roberts, G; N. B. Stockwell, I; R. L. Zollner, M; M. F. Almandoz, M; D. Ayi-Delo, L; C. L. d'Algremont, L; K. A. Kumar, L; R. M. Martin, G; J. M. Phiri, G; M. R. Sharma, I; Sue Lin Tang, G; A. M. Abdallah, M; K. E. Abraham, M; S. K. Aiyar, L; W. E. Allen, G; S. B. Amartelfio, M; D. Appaduray, M; s/o S. Ariaratnam, L; D. K. Asante, L; E. Babu-Achieng, L; N. H. P. Bacon, G; J. G. Barta, L; M. F. E. Balancy, M; Patricia A. Barnes, I; M. N. Bhaye, L; M. Blacker, I; F. Brewster, M; June L. Cheah, G; Chaik Lee Chee, G; Kong Chi Chee, L; K. Chelliah, L; Fooi Lin Chin, L; Helen Sze-Ling Chong, L; Chee Heung Chor, L; Meng Kewong Choy, L; Sheila A. Cohen, G; C. A. Collison, L; Joyce L. Darko, L; M. J. Diaper, G; A. P. Doger De Speville, M; E. J. D'Souza, L; Lydia N. Ekaney, G; M. A. Ekalm, G; A. K. Erotocritou, G; A. Fernandez, L; E. Fernandez, L; T. N. Flynn, M; A. K-C. Fung, L; P. J. Gascon, M; B. D. E. V. Georgos, G; J. Ghazal, L; Marina Hail Daud Tiu, L; Paula Hanson, G; J. E. R. Harbord-Hamond, I; Abu Bin HJ. M. Hassan, L; Bin Puteh Hassanudin, L; J. S. Hatchard, M; R. A. Healy, I; Wendy Heaton, L; G. E. Heimler, I; L. G. Hill, G; P. W. Hill, L; Chee Kit Ho, I; K. K-M. Ho, L; Yong Min Ho, M; Thean-Sun Hoe, M; Claire A. Holder, L; A. E. Ismail, L; A. bin HJ. M. A. Jalaluddin, L; N. John, L; N. Jopling, M. S. Kandiah, G; I. R. C. Kawaley, M; J. W. Kempe, G; M. S. Khan, M; Lak K. Kho, L; Joo S. Khoo, L; Adeliza King, I; P. E. King, I; Kissoondial, I; V. Kuhanendran, L; S. Kumar, L; Govindaraju Kuppusamy, L; Cheng C. Lau, G; J. M. G. Layton, M; J. D. Leeson, L; Wey P. Leong, L; N. W. Levy, L; Teck K. Liew, M; Kian H. Lim, L; Yonn P. Loh, L; Ying K. L. Lok, M; H. J. Luping, I; S. Malin, G; D. J. Martin, G; U. K. Martin, I; P. Moe, L; L. J. Mortimer, L; A. T. Muna, L; S. Munusamy, M; A. Mylvaganam, I; s/o Arumugam Nadarajan, G; Rose Naik, L; F. V. Nathar, M; S. Nathoo, I; s/o Ponnampalam Navaratnam, G; Beng H. Ng, L; Seng K. Ng, L; Yeong L. Ng, L; Yoke M. Ng, M; D. Ngumbang, I; J. M. Noall, G; bin Hussin Noordin, L; R. M. S. O'Sullivan, I; Kim K. Pang, L; C. Papadopoulou, M; P. M. Patel, M; T. S. Penesar, L; R. A. Peters, M; Jin H. Phua, L; H. D. Pratt, G; D. C. Primus, M; S. Radhakrishnan, I; D. P. s/o R. Ralah, L; F. M. A. Ranaweera, M; R. A. L. Bundit Rajalanun, L; M. Ramasamy, Rogers, G; C. S. Saini, M; R. C. Sanghvi, L; B. Seth, L; H. Singh, L; s/o Vairavan Sithambaram, L; S. Slater, I; P. Spensley Bates, L; M. J. Spurling, I; M. Sriarun, G; P. R. Styles, I; Anne E. Sweeney, L; T. B. Symonette, I; Kee L. Tan, L; Peik L. E. Tan, M; Khye K. Tang, M; T. C. L. Tavares-Finson, M; D. C. B. Tay, L; D. K. H. Tay, L; P. Thavaso, L; D. Thorpe, M; L. Y. Tsang Mang Kin, G; M. V. C. Tran, L; P. J. Ulanowski, G; J. Vallabh, L; C. M. Walsh, M; W. M. Wan Mahmood, L; D. G. Waring, M; J. G. Watts, I; A. M. J. V. Welsh, L; R. H. Westcott, L; Ann M. Wicherek, I; D. J. Williams, M; Hok C. Wong, G; Kah H. Wong, L; Po-Wing Wong, M; Siong P. Wong, L; Yoke K. Wong, G; Soon N. Yap, M; See Kiung Yip, L; P. P. Yong, M; Sani B. W. Yusop, L; Bin R. Zulkifly, L; A. S. Nadesan, L; M. Wasik, G.

Part I students admitted since April 1, 1969

Group B: Class 1, no award.

Class II: in order of merit: M. Cooper, G; Janice E. Carroll G; J. J. Harbord, I; Penelope A. Soskin, G; A. R. Mlalck, L; D. L. Harmer, L; Swan-Nor Ma, I; B. E. Compton-Welstead, L; T. K. Saha, L; Beng Hong Tan, M; bin H. Yahy, L; J. A. Vitales, L.

Class III, in numerical order: Morag G. Alexander, I; V. Allecar, M; s/o Saivanaikam Anthonysamy, L; June M. Archer, I; A. J. S. Bagge, L; S. V. Baker, M; S. C. Barber, M; P. D. G. Barrington, G; J. Blacker, G; G. M. Chaudhary, L; Chik Seng Chong, G; J. H. G. Chrisoin, I; Eva M. Clark, M; Penelope F. Darby, L; K. F. Davies, G; N. Dean, G; C. Dusun, L; A. J. Eames, G; Ena M. Eastman, L; Abdul din Mohd Jal Ghani, I; Saeed-Ul Hassan, L; A. N. F. J. Horner, L; Md bin Talb Isa, M; V. Jacob, L; P. Jensen, L; P. S. Kershaw, I; A. L. King, L; R. K. Kohli, M; Su San Lau, L; Chin Joon T. Leong, I; Md L. R. Mandal, L; A. Mangalam, M; Charlotte L. Mitra, G; bin Sharif Mohamed, I; N. H. Mullen, I; A. Narayanan, M; V. K. Narayanan, I; Susan A. Newman, L; E. A. O'Malley, M; S. Rabindran, M; R. G. Ramparass, L; R. J. Renouf, M; Betty L. Ross, G; bin Mat Som Salleh, L; S. R. Sehrawat, M; Ahmad bin Kassim Shaharuddin, L; P. Shak Chiu Tong, M; Kwok Bun J. A. Shek, L; T. E. Short, G; T. D. Sookia, L; P. J. W. Spink, G; E. Stephens, G; C. T. Storey, L; T. N. K. Tan, L; M. A. Taye, M; C. E. Utley, M; E. B. D. Waldy, M; I. D. Whitney, L; Edith A. Withycombe, G; J. Zalb, L; I. Klausner, M.

The following have been awarded a conditional pass in Group B. The subject they have yet to pass is shown in parenthesis against their names: J. Burton, G (6); C. T. F. K. Chin, L (8); Kim Tek Chong, G (8); J. G. Fenton, G (8); Kee Kin Hah, L (6); A. K. Ibrahim, L (6); s/o Mathalamuthu Jesudass, L (8); F. M. Kiwanuka, L (8); Wah Kin Lim, L (6); bin Haji Din Mansor, I (6); D. R. Munasinghe, L (6); s/o Rengasamy Nadarajan, I (6); P. Naidu, I (6); C. Pichedpan, G (8); Abdul bin Alhadad Rahim, L (8); A. U. Rahim, G (8); M. J. Read, G (7); T. Sastarasadhit, G (6); T. R. Watts, L (6); Rusheen Wynne-Jones, M (8); A. A. Fani-Kayode, L (8).

M. J. Bullivant, G; R. A. C. Male, G; Alison J. Armour, G; R. K. Ashton, L; Pamela M. Baker, G; Angela J. Bareham, L; Judy D. Bates, L; Anne Bevan, M; M. G. Birch, L; Christina C. Bradley, L; M. G. Bromley-Martin, G; D. StC Callan, M; E. Canning, L; H. Caplan, M; Dorothy Chang, I; C. C. A. Crouch, G; J. K. Cuttaree, L; S. V. Davies, L; L. Delonis, M; P. L. Dickinson, M; P. R. E. Double, M; S. Elton, L; C. D. L. Engelbach, L; Alison M. L. Firth, M; Patricia A. Gallagher, M; Davina A. Gammon, M; Margaret A. Gee, G; R. T. Good, G; M. J. Gould, I; J. A. Grant, I; M. S. Habib, L; D. J. Harris, G; S. W. Homewood, G; Md M. Hossain, L; G. P. Huetting, M; M. R. Hunter, G; I. R. Hyslop, I; Vanessa E. Ingle, M; S. H. Ireland M; R. S. Jay, L; Yeng Lam Kan, L; B. S. Kebbie, G; Catherine Kelleher, M; Susan M. Kemp, G; M. M. A. Khan, L; Hock Beng Lee, L; Jacqueline R. Levy M; D. M. Love, G; D. G. Loyn M; N. J. M. Lucas, M; M. K. Marwoy, G; K. S. T. Matthews, M; Mary C. McCabe, L; C. R. McConnell, L; Helen C. D. McLellan, M; Jane M. Mishcon, G; P. G. Morgan, M; B. Nagin Hargovan, I; Susan J. Nash, G; Ching-Jing Ngan, L; S. Olley, I; D. J. Regan, I; Judith M. Royan, L; Frances A. Scarle, G; R. Seereekissoon L; J. C. S. Shaikh, G; A. M. Silverleaf, G; A. C. Smith, G; T. C. Somerville, M; M. S. Stone, G; D. H. Thomas, M; O. Ticciati, I; M. J. F. Tingle, G; I. R. Trehearne, G; T. McK. Walker, G; R. S. G. Watson, L; Valerie J. Weaver, M; A. R. Wells, L; . E. Whelan, I; C. C. W. Wildish, M; J. Donovan, M; C. K. Ahwoi, G; R. K. Bansal, L; M. W. D. Beddoe, G; M. P. Beet, G; K. W. Brown, G; Renée J. Calder, L; L. G. C. Cramp, G; K. Das, L; H. Desai, G; J. N. Donne, M; Abdul bin Awang Ghani, L; R. A. Hough, G; Mehamed Bazain bin Idris, I; W. A. Jeffries, G; G. S. Kallundu-Banya, I; D. Kumar, M; Siew-Keong Lam, G; Beverley A. M. Lang, I; G. Y. H. Lassemillante, M; Yoke Khay Lee, L; Tai Liong Liew, L; Lim Boon Hean, M; A. P. Mathews, M; R. C. Matthews, M; M. Q. Morton, L; J. Munro, L; P. Murugasu, M; S. M. F. N'Jai, G; R. Prashad, I; M. L. Rala, L; P. V. L. Rajaratnam, G; R. Ralasingham, I; N. Raju, L; N. J. Seed, I; bin Ibrahim Shamsul-Bahram, I; Geraldine J. Sibbles, G; A. S. Sidhu, L; C. P. Sizell, I; B. B. Tembak, I; A. B. Thompson, G; Anne M. Viney, L; S. K. R. Watkins, I; An Lun Wong, L; Jin A. Yeoh, L.

The following have been awarded a conditional pass. The section they have yet to pass is shown in brackets against their names.

B. Bhalla, G (5); A. D. Biker, G (2); Sarah E. L. Blair, L (6); S. A. C. Cakebread, M (6); Hau Yan Chan, G (11); Jasvant Chhotu Patel, G (6); T. J. Davey, I (6); Jeanne-Marie De Lavrazabal, L (6); N. H. Draper, I (10); C. M. P. Ferrari, M (1); N. D. Fooks, I (7); P. W. Garland, M (4); D. E. J. Griffiths, G (8); T. R. Harrison, M (8); T. J. Klouda, M (6); R. A. Lissack, I (2); N. R. Monaghan, L (12); A. P. Nuttall, L (3); M. P. O'Dwyer, M (11); O. O. Oke, L (6); M. A. Orszulik, M (2); Diana M. H. Pritchar G (1); J. F. Sawyer, I (4); A. K. Sharda I (6); M. K. Singh, L (7); B. P. Skinner, L (1); C. J. W. Smyth, G (6); S. H. Stone, M (7); Gillian E. Temple-Bone, G (6); P. A. Walsh M (8); J. B. Warren, G (7); R. S. Wheeler, G (3); Jennifer M. P. Wilson, G (6); P. B. C. Kent, G (6); D. P. Montague, M (6); N. S. Tiagi, L (6); M. E. Edwards, I (9); Veronica N. Adamu, I (1); K. N. Adderley, I (1); G. T. A. Bainbridge, G (10); J. Basnyal, M (3); Khoon Ted Chan, L (3); Chui Lin Shanty Chong, L (3); V. K. Dube, L (3); D. R. Filer, G (6); Bin Mat Ariff Ghazali, L (12); K. P. Glover, I (6); Mohammad din Abdul Wahab Isa, L (11); C. S. Jiram, L (1); H. N. J. Khong, M (12); S. Lazarus, G (11); G. S. Lim, I (12); Patricia Lloyd, G (1); Yew Dong Loh, L (3); C. G. Mavrantonis G (4); T. J. R. OKara, G (3); S. C. K. Pallot, G (3); Pilanni s/o M. Penir Selvam, L (1); Brenda F. Paray, M (3); Dorothy G. Pask, M (3); Kathleen Pearson, G (1); L. H. G. Salaun, I (1); Bin Puteh Shahrudin, L (11); S. M. H. Shubber, G (3); G. Singh, M (12); S. Singh, L (3); W. R. Sivanathan, G (4); A. A. Warri, M (6); D. S. B. Williams, L (12).

The following have passed individual sections to complete Part II: H. Charlton, G; Juliana P. Clarke, L; Shelagh M. Clayton M; R. H. Cohen, M; F. Cucchi, M; D. A. G. Ireland, M; C. B. Q. Nicholls, G; A. H. P. Williamson, L; C. D. Newberry, I; M. S. Singhe, G; G. W. Hoon, G; C. W. Kroal, I; J. G. Levin, M; D. M. Renton, M; G. C. Thomas, I.

The following candidates taking additional subjects have passed: Sarah E. E. Ackah, L; F. H. Panford, M; N. R. Parchment, L; M. D. H. Wills, I.

The following candidate has obtained a conditional pass but will not be entitled to sit for the subject in which he has failed without first obtaining permission under CR 25. M. Medley, G (7).

Part I students admitted between September 1, 1967, and March 31, 1969.

The following candidates have passed in the sections indicated: D. I. Fox, I, in 4 Subject Group B, Class III; K. M. Phang, I, in 4 Subject Group B, Class II; Diddan E. Pawlyn, M, in constl and admin law, equity and trusts; S. K. Ramgoolam, M, in constl and Admin Law, equity and trusts; M. Ehiya, L, in constl and admin Law; N. C. Oliver, I, in equity and trusts.

Part I students admitted before September 1, 1967.

J. A. Buchanan, G, in constl and admin law, Class III, equity and trusts, Class II, company law, Class III W. T. Chong, L, in equity and trusts, Class III, company Law, Class III, Jill D. Goulding, G, in history of legal system and English law, Class III, equity and trusts, Class III, S. S. A. Husain, I, in equity and trusts, Class III, J. M. Manningham-Buller, I, in constl and admin law, Class III, history of legal system and English law, Class III, equity and trusts, Class III, company law, Class III, V. A. Patten, L, in equity and trusts, Class III, Myrtle A. Rampat, G, in equity and trusts, Class III, Mariam Roberts, G, in constl and admin law, Class III, history of legal system and English law, Class III, equity and trusts, Class II, company law, Class III.

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Insolvency not a 'special circumstance'

Bakers' Union v Clarks of Hove Ltd

Before Lord Justice Stephenson, Lord Justice Roskill and Lord Justice Geoffrey Lane

Insolvency itself, without more, is not necessarily a special circumstance rendering it not practicable for the employer to consult a trade union representative about dismissals for redundancy either 90 or 60 days before the first dismissal according to the number of employees involved, as required by the Employment Protection Act, 1975; in order to be special the circumstance must be uncommon.

The Court of Appeal allowed an appeal by the Bakers' Union, and in part an appeal by the employers, Clarks of Hove Ltd, from a decision of the Employment Appeal Tribunal (*The Times*, June 1, 1977; [1978] 1 WLR 563) remitting to a Brighton industrial tribunal for reappraisal a complaint by the union that the employers had not complied with section 99 of the Act and affirmed the decision of the industrial tribunal.

Section 99(8) provides: "If in any case there are special circumstances which render it not reasonably practicable for the employer to comply with [section 99] the employer shall take all such steps towards compliance with that requirement as are reasonably practicable in those circumstances."

Mr Anthony Grabiner for the employers; Mr Patrick Talbot for the union; Mr Michael Howard as amicus curiae for the Secretary of State for Employment.

LORD JUSTICE GEOFFREY LANE said that there was an appeal by the employers and a cross-appeal by the union. The employers said that the Employment Appeal Tribunal should have allowed their appeal and not remitted the case to the industrial tribunal; the union said that they should have dismissed the appeal.

On October 24, 1976, the employers, without warning, terminated the employment of 368 of their 380 employees, and the company ceased to trade. The union had applied for a protective award under the Employment Protection Act.

The employers conceded that they had failed to consult the union as required by the Act, but contended that there were special circumstances which rendered it not reasonably practicable to comply, and that no steps towards compliance were reasonably practicable.

By midsummer 1976 the employers were in serious financial difficulty. They tried to raise money to meet their obligations, but on October 24 they received a message which made it clear that their last hope of doing so was a forlorn one. At that moment it dawned on the directors that they would have to put up the shutters, and at that moment a notice was posted dismissing the employees. If they had gone on trading they would have been in severe difficulties under the Companies Acts. A receiver of the company was appointed three days later, and if the company had not dismissed the employees the receiver would have had to.

The industrial tribunal had found the union's complaint well founded and decreed a protective award of 49 days' remuneration. The decision of the Employment Appeal Tribunal was a majority decision, and perhaps some of the difficulties found on reading it sprang from that fact.

Counsel had pointed out that if, as appeared to be the case, the Employment Appeal Tribunal was saying that there were special circumstances, they should not have remitted the award but allowed the appeal. Mr Grabiner submitted that since the decision to cease to trade was taken at the same time as the decision to dismiss, it was not reasonably practicable to comply with the provisions for consultation, and the circumstances were special.

Where, as here, the employee had admitted that he had failed to give the requisite notice, the burden was on him to show special circumstances so that it was not reasonably practicable to comply with the provisions of the Act. There were three stages: (1) whether there were special circumstances; (2) whether they rendered compliance with section 99 impracticable; (3) whether the employer took all such steps in complying with section 99 as were reasonably practicable.

If the employer succeeded in proving special circumstances, that provided him with a defence and there was no question of a protective award thereafter.

On the question of what was meant by special circumstances, the decisions under the Road Traffic Acts were not helpful. In so far as they meant that special circumstances must be relevant circumstances they applied equally in the present case.

In those circumstances the way the phrase was interpreted by the industrial tribunal was correct. They said that insolvency on its own was neither here nor there; it might be a special circumstance or not. If a sudden disaster struck a company and made it necessary to close, that was plainly capable of being a special circumstance, whether the disaster was physical or financial. If insolvency was merely due to a gradual run down of the company as in the present case, there were facts on which the industrial tribunal could come to a decision that the circumstances were not special. In other words, to be special a circumstance must be uncommon, and that was the meaning of "special" in the Emloyment Protection Act.

It seemed that the industrial tribunal had approached the matter in the correct way. They had correctly pointed out that insolvency simpliciter was neutral, and whether it was a special circumstance depended on the surrounding factors. Special having been defined as out of the ordinary, there was ample evidence on which the tribunal could come to the conclusion they did. The union's appeal should be allowed and that of the employers allowed in part.

LORD JUSTICE ROSKILL, agreeing, said that the case presented a curious feature in that neither party wished to uphold the Employment Appeal Tribunal's decision.

Lord Justice Stephenson agreed with both judgments.

Solicitors: Wilde, Sapte & Co; Donne, Mileham & Haddock; Treasury Solicitor.

The meaning of learning

Attorney General's Reference (No 3 of 1977)

Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Waller and Mr Justice Tudor Evans

[Judgment delivered July 10]

In section 4(1) of the Obscene Publications Act, 1959—which provides a defence to a charge of publishing an obscene article if publication is "for the public good on the ground that it is in the interest of science, literature, art or learning or other objects of general concern"—the word "learning" means the product of scholarship, something with inherent excellence gained by the work of a scholar.

The Court of Appeal, giving an opinion on a reference by the Attorney General under section 36 of the Criminal Justice Act, 1972, so stated and added that learning, being a noun, meant something with intrinsic value, the intrinsic value coming from the work of a scholar.

Mr David Barker, QC, and Mr Roy Ashton for the Attorney General; Mr John Mortimer, QC, and Mr Geoffrey Robertson for the respondent.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that the reference concerned the admissibility of evidence. It had at last been clearly established that the introduction of expert evidence was authorized only when a conclusion had already been reached that the article was obscene and the defendant wished to show that, nevertheless, it ought to be published.

The proper approach was indicated by Lord Wilberforce in *R v Jordan* ([1977] AC 699, 718—719). The fundamental question was whether learning was a noun, in which case it had to mean the product of scholarship. Its only possible meaning as a noun was something whose inherent excellence was gained by the work of a scholar. The idea that it had meaning in context as a verb was rejected.

Mr Mortimer's argument in essence was that "learning" meant teaching, education in the broadest sense. If one got so far an argument might be open that learning included sexual education, but one never got so far.

The nearest approach to the meaning of "learning" which could be arrived at was that, being a noun, it meant something with intrinsic value, the intrinsic value coming from the work of the scholar.

It was absolutely imperative, if a trial judge allowed expert evidence to be given under section 4, for him to instruct the jury that that evidence could concern only section 4—it could not be connected with the question under section 1 whether the article was or was not obscene.

The jury had to be so instructed because they would obviously treat the expert evidence as going to section 1 if they were not firmly warned to the contrary. The trial judge in the case giving rise to the reference had erred because he had not indicated that "learning" in context was a noun and what it meant in the terms of the problem and evidence before them.

Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor; Offenbach & Co.

Pornography point certified

Regina v Henn
Regina v Darby

The Court of Appeal (the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Waller and Mr Justice Milmo) decided that a point of law of general public importance was involved in the decision in *R v Henn*; *R v Darby* (*The Times*, July 12). Their Lordships, having determined that the proceedings had involved argument on a point of law and that the hearing in which judgment was delivered on July 7 was the hearing of an appeal, granted an application under section 33(2) of the Criminal Appeal Act, 1968, that the point of law of general public importance involved in the decision was the question "whether section 42 of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876, is effective to prevent the importation of pornographic articles from Holland notwithstanding articles 30 and 36 of the Treaty of Rome".

Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was refused. The appellants were granted legal aid to petition the House for leave to appeal.

Petition dismissed

Regina v Carver

The Appeal Committee of the House of Lords (Lord Diplock, Lord Salmon and Lord Russell of Killowen) dismissed a petition for leave to appeal in *R v Carver* (*The Times*, May 10, 12) on the question "whether the offence of possessing a controlled drug contrary to section 5(2) of the Misuse of Drugs Act, 1971, is only proved if a quantity of the drug is detected which, albeit scientifically measurable, is not so minute as to amount in reality and common sense to nothing at all, and which is capable of use in a manner prohibited by the Act".

Objections too formalistic

Regina v Brighton Gaming Licensing Committee, Ex parte Cotedale Ltd

Paragraph 6 (4) of Schedule 2 to the Gaming Act, 1968, which limits the matter published in notices of applications for gaming licences to that required by paragraph 6 (2) is not to be construed so as to allow purely formalistic objections and where the applicant is a company the fact that the notice bears the name and address of the duly authorized secretary does not invalidate the notice, the Court of Appeal held.

The court made an order of mandamus that Brighton Gaming Licensing Committee should hear and determine the application of Cotedale Ltd, of Upper Berkeley Street, London, for a gaming licence in Preston Street, Brighton.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that two objectors, Metropole Casinos (Brighton) Ltd and Sergeant Yorke Casino Ltd, both of whom operated a casino in Brighton, had objected that the notices displayed pursuant to paragraph 6 of Schedule 2 were bad because the name and address of Cotedale's secretary was included. Cotedale's lawyers had faithfully followed the precedent in *Atkin's Court Forms*, but the justices had upheld the objection. *R v Newcastle upon Tyne Gaming Licensing Committee, Ex parte White Hart Enterprises Ltd* ([1977] 1 WLR 1135, 1141) applied.

The notice was by a company and it was only right and proper for it to be authenticated by someone on the company's behalf. *R v Loughborough Gaming Licensing Committee, Ex parte Hamblins Leisure Services* (unreported, June 21, 1976) was wrongly decided and should be overruled.

LORD JUSTICE EVELEIGH, agreeing, said that the effect of section 42 (1) and (7) of the 1968 Act and paragraph 6 (4) of Schedule 2 was to create a criminal offence. It should be construed accordingly, bearing in mind the liberty of the subject.

SIR DAVID CAIRNS, also agreeing, said that paragraph 6 (4) was not to be construed so as to allow purely formalistic objections.

25 years ago

Canal zone tension

From The Times of Tuesday, July 14, 1953

The situation in the Canal Zone has been deteriorating over the past four months. On May 12 Mr Selwyn Lloyd gave details of a number of attacks on British servicemen and installations which had taken place in the previous six weeks, and there have been sporadic incidents since then culminating in a murder this weekend. From the Egyptian side have come counter charges. In the absence of an agreement between Britain and Egypt over the future of the Canal Zone with all the consequent recriminations, incidents of this sort had to be expected. There is no way of sealing off the British base from its Egyptian surroundings. Yet neither the British authorities nor the Egyptian Government have any interest in seeing a repetition of the events which 18 months ago led to a pitched battle in the streets of Ismailia between British troops and Egyptian police. This tragedy caused the fall of the Egyptian Government and nearly produced a state of chaos which might even have obliged the British forces to occupy Cairo. Today the same pattern of events seems to be unfolding.

Mill Hill School

During the summer term, which ends tomorrow, the combined choirs and orchestra of Mill Hill and Belmont schools gave concerts in St John's, Smith Square, and the tenth anniversary of exchanges with the Institution Join-Lambert at Rouen was celebrated. At tomorrow's Foundation Day the guest of honour will be Lord Wade.

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SPORT

Golf

Ballesteros excites by living dangerously

By Peter Ryde
Golf Correspondent

Something of a log jam built up at the top end of the Open championship, which reached the halfway stage at St Andrews yesterday. It looked for a time as though Severiano Ballesteros would draw away from the pack, but we had reckoned without the Road Hole. Yet again it interfered among the leaders; the Spaniard's drive there was too bold and went over the wall. He hit an enormous second drive and found the middle of the green with his second shot. He needed two putts, the second coiling into the hole, and a six pulled him back into a share of the lead with Crenshaw of the United States, and Aoki, of Japan. You live dangerously with Ballesteros, but you live excitingly.

The Spaniard's steady progress to the front is most exciting for the championship. I confess to being in two minds about him, still clinging to the information "from a reliable source", that he is dangerously close to being stale. But a class horse, which he certainly is, will respond to the big occasion provided he gets off on the right foot. This is also a course that shoud suit him with its opportunity for putting and for improvised strokes. Above all, he is much more than Europe's best player; he is in world class, having already given proof of that. His game yesterday had not the precision of a Nicklaus or a Watson, but it was exciting and effective.

He drove badly at the fifth, which prevented him making a birdie, but he made up for it by holing from 18ft for a birdie at the next. An enormous drive across the corner of the seventh left him little more than 40 yards from the green, and he pitched almost dead. His tee shot to the eighth was slack, but a long putt needed only more roll to have dropped, and at the 10th he wound himself up and drove the green, thereby shaking himself clear of the field. From there on it was par, although his putt for a birdie at the 16th nearly dropped, until the drama at the 17th.

An early shower had quietened the greens and the pin placings were no more difficult than on the first day, but it looked as though several easier positions were being kept for the wind that the championship needs and the best players would like to see. St Andrews is filled to bursting and the 27,000 crowd was a record for any single day of an Open championship. It looks as though before the end of the week all records will be broken.

The fortunes of the leading contestants fluctuated, going up and down like the nearby tide. Unlike the tide, their position was incline dto be at its highest as they went out, and at lowest ebb coming in. The 13th, 14th and 17th holes worked overtime in defence of the course, but with anything like a breeze being delayed until well on in the day, the number of players under par swelled to a throng.

Crenshaw's driving has returned to him and that was an important factor in being close to the lead. He did not drop a shot to par and recovered from his only bad drive by holing from 15 feet for a four and a birdie. That was at the fifth where he showed his knowledge of the course, at least from the study of books, by nominating the bunker as being one of the Seven Sisters. Study of the printed word cannot make a man familiar with a course, but it can prepare him and there is nowhere Crenshaw would rather win his first major victory. For the second day running he made four at the Road Hole and that is worth more than a stroke saved.



Studies in concentration: Hugh Baiocchi (left) and Jack Nicklaus stooping in their attempts to conquer.

With him was Aoki, who also made four from the Road, putting up to four feet with his distinctive style in which he cocks the toe of his putter in the air. He seemed surprised that his style should cause comment. He was reported to have said there is no set method for putting and he puts that way because it makes him feel comfortable. In Japan he has led all the way to victory before now, but apart from an appearance in the Masters he has not played regularly in the best American company such as this. One of the crucial strokes of a good holing round he considered to be his holing from 20 feet on the 12th for his par.

Of the amateurs, three—Miller (144), McEvoy and Brodie (145)—appeared likely to qualify, and they are scoring well enough to give them a chance to survive the second cut this evening, when the 80-odd field will be reduced to 60 and ties. Those who spent an awkward time wondering if they were going to make the third day were Hubert Green and Baiocchi on 149. Hope was also fast dwindling for Marsh, Johnny Miller, and Sneed on 150.

For a moment as Nicklaus was heading for home, his features furrowed by frustration, he was on the same double green as Palmer setting out, and it was as though the one had handed over inspiration to the other for, while Nicklaus continued on his unrewarded way, his old friend and rival turned the next three holes into birdies. Then suddenly the new flashed that Palmer was in the lead out there on the course, hitching up his slacks and breathing fire. Nobody really expected for a minute that the Open was on its way to being won by a man of 48 but every other spectator thought how marvellous it would be if he could stay there just for one round.

Even that thought was too good to be true. Palmer had said in practice that he was putting better than he was playing, something that had not happened to him for a long time. Now he needed his game as well as his putting, but he drove into the Beardies at the 14th and then became yet another to fall victim to the Road Hole when he cut the line of the drive too fine and went out of bounds. A seven there and he was swept mercilessly from the leader board, but he did well to make five with the second ball after hitting his second from rough into a bunker. It was, he said, "a magnificent seven". But the applause that accompanied hi sleaving the last green contained more than sympathy for he had finished with a birdie and was still under par for the championship.

Nicklaus seems to be meeting with nothing but frustration. On the first day some excellent shots were wasted while yesterday a thoroughly solid round lacked only the final touches on the greens. He took two putts on every one of them; even when he scored a solitary birdie at the fifth he missed from seven feet for an eagle. He wasted the loop in the sense that over those five shorter holes he failed to get the ball close enough to the sticks for birdies. It was at the other holes that he missed six putts of inside 12 feet. Hole after hole he was tapping in, which led one to think that if he had been playing the "string game", in which a certain length is cut off for each player to make use of in reducing his number of putts, Nicklaus would have needed only one foot to have scored seven or eight birdies.

But anyone who has finished second six times in this championship is well acquainted with frustration. He can handle that enemy of golf better than most. But he needs some putts in now before he loses touch with the leaders. As he put it: "I am playing well enough to shoot any kind of round—but I cannot wait until Sunday to start holing putts."

In contrast Watson had been accelerating from the start and his 68 looked menacingly good. Almost equally impressive was his fitness and the sharpness of his mind at the end of an exhausting round. The only two times he erred from the straight he recovered, at the second with a pitch to three feet, and more important at the 17th with a long hill-and-dale putt along that dangerous route from the left bottom of the bank to four feet.



Gary Cullen, the 23-year-old British golfer, who had a five-under-par 67, acknowledges the applause of the St Andrews crowd.

Thus he never went over par and his four birdies were as crisp as could be. Each time it was his wedge that did the scoring at the fifth, ninth, 12th and finally at the 18th, where the longest putt of the four was no more than four feet.

Playing just behind him Cullen, the Rhodesian born player of the British circuit, set up a target of 67 as the lowest score of the day. He made his score going out, his 31 to the turn containing three putts of between 10 and 20 feet. He is a big fellow with plenty of length but he is still looking for a major victory, although he takes a philosophical view of that, preferring the steady climb up the ladder to the meteoric rise and sudden dive that he sees going on around him. He has had second and third finishes in Africa, where his early golf was mostly self-taught, and he lies twenty-first in the order of merit.

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	370	4	10	342	4
2	411	4	11	172	3
3	371	4	12	316	4
4	463	4	13	425	4
5	564	5	14	567	5
6	416	4	15	413	4
7	372	4	16	382	4
8	178	3	17	461	4
9	356	4	18	354	4
Out	3,501	36	In	3,432	36

Tennis

A Davis Cup tie that could remai undecided until the last match

From Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent
Paris, July 13

During the next three days Britain will play France in a Davis Cup tie on the slow clay courts of Roland Garros stdium. There are so many unpredictable factors that the outcome is difficult to forecast. John Lloyd has been suffering from a damaged racket hand, Patrice Dominguez has just recovered from a bad back, and Yannick Noah, only 18 years and two months old, has to shoulder the responsibility of playing two singles in his first Davis Cup tie. Assuming that Lloyd and Dominguez are fit enough to play their best tennis, Britain must be slightly favoured to win a tie that could remain undecided until the last match.

The Davis Cup competition, the men's world team championship, is so protracted and irregular in its progress, so lacking in continuity, that it is possible to lose it between rounds. Britain, for example, beat Monaco in March and Austria in June in ties that have already begun to recede in the memory.

There are 11 teams left. The winners here will play the winners of the tie between Czechoslovakia and Romania in Prague (Romania will be without Ilie Nastase, who has been suspended from the competition) and the survivors will meet the holders, Australia, in the semi-final round. There are two other ties this week, Sweden v Spain in Baastad and Hungary v Italy in Budapest. The winners will play each other for the right to tackle the United States or Chile in the semi-final round.

The British team, sponsored by Coca Cola, have been the same all year, though Mottram was unfit to play in Monaco and was replaced by Richard Lewis, who has since been the "spare man". The French team is being rebuilt. When these countries last met, on grass at Eastbourne in 1976, Francois Jauffret and Patrick Proisy played singles and France were beaten 4—1. Now Proisy has been discarded and Jauffret, 36, will play only in doubles. Jauffret has played 51 Davis Cup singles and 18 doubles, which means that he shares with Pierre Darmon the record tally of 69 Davis Cup matches for France.

The Algerian-born Dominguez, 28, still inspires confidence. But the French have taken a chance in awarding the other singles place to Noah, their youngest Davis Cup choice since Daniel Conter in 1961. It is an interesting reminder of the old Empire days that both the French singles playres were born in Africa.

Noah comes from Yaounde in Cameroun. Arthur Ashe, then on tour in Africa, spotted his potential seven years ago and recommended him to the French federation. At the age of 12 Noah was installed in a government-backed school at Nice, where he could pursue his tennis as well as his studies, with the accent on tennis. At 16 he was brought to Paris, where he lives on the prem Roland Garros with other ing youngsters and plays fu He played doubles with A Wimbledon.

In the French champio played on these same cour more than a month ago. reached the third round singles and took a set fr 1977 winner, Guillermo Vil future should be interestin In choosing him to play against Britain, the Frenc clearly thinking of the fu much as the present.

When Britain came here Fred Perry and Bunny ended France's run of six c tive Davis Cup triumphs. S war there have been three Anglo-French ties in Paris, won in 1946, Britain in 1 France in 1972. On this o it should encourage the that the tie will begin on Day, a national holida morrow's pairings w Christopher Mottram v N John Lloyd v Dominguez.

In Saturday's doubles inguez and Jauffret will be opposed by Lloyd—if looks healthy enough—i brother, David. The la Britain played here, in 1 only match they won doubles, in which David Ll partnered by John Paish. verse singles will be pl Sunday—Mottram v Do and, finally, John Lloyd If all depends on the las what a test that would be well-built African teenage

The anti-boredom ball is such a bore

New York, July 13.—Ilie Nastase and Wojtek Fibak scored easy second-round victories in the Forest Hills invitation tournament yesterday as player complaints about ultra-light balls grew louder and more vehement. The tournament director said the ball had been chosen to avoid boredom that might result from long baseline rallies on the slow, clay-like surface.

Nastase defeated an Australian, John Alexander, 6—2, 6—2; Fibak beat John Newcombe 6—1, 6—2. Dick Stockton beat Peter Fleming 7—6, 3—6, 6—3. Continuing a three-day rash of double faults attributed to the lighter-than-average balls, Stockton served 14 and Fleming 17.

"If you've got any extra razor blades, I'd be happy to take them", Fleming said. "I'm ready to jump in the river." Stockton said: "With a different ball, the calibre of play would be 75 to 100 per cent better. You can go out and buy this ball. But don't buy it."

Nastase did a better job than Alexander did at compensating for the fly-away balls on service. Alexander double-faulted five times. "You don't see anybody serving half well", an angry Alexander said later. "All of the players are angry about it", Nastase, who served an ace at 4—2 in the second set, only to follow up with a double-fault of his own, said. "You never see this many double-faults".

The tournament director could not help but be aware that his players were frustrated. Nastase, after two of his services simply blew away in the light wind, batted the balls over to the director at courtside. "But none of the players have come and talked to me about it", he noted, adding that he would be willing to consider a change if the players presented a goo dcase.

The ball chosen, because it is lighter, travels off the ground and off a player's strings faster, he said. "The problem we've had before is that ground strokes become a bore if carried to their logical extreme (a long rally)", the director w "The rallies are short, b what we want. We're getti serve and volley."

Part of the players' fr is the adjustment they m after playing several w rain-soaked English gras the ball became quite Fibak, of Poland, was ha the ball. "I just find it r It's very amusing," he s overpowering a clearly f Newcombe, whose long fla strokes frequently wafte the court. Fibak faltered the seventh game of th set, though, squanderi match points to give N his only break for 2—5.

He broke back in t game, however, on a deft forehand cross-court. N walked away from th court quickly and did n for interviews. In the match, Fibak and John defeated Fred McNair a wood Stewart 7—6, 7—

Football

Chelsea's debt plan rejected by creditors

A plan by Chelsea Football Club to renounce many of their small debts has been rejected by the club's unsecured creditors. At an informal meeting yesterday the creditors rejected a once-and-for-all payment of 20p in the £ for their debts. Instead, they hope an improvement in the club's financial position will allow them to be paid in full at some future date.

The club have already paid two 10p dividends to unsecured creditors. The rejected offer of a further 20p would have left unpaid 60 per cent of the £357,504 owed to an estimated 500 creditors.

Apart from these debts Chelsea FC owe Barclays Bank £2,500,000 and £400,000 is owed to the builders of the club's new East stand, W and C French (Contractors) Ltd.

Barclay's investment is secured by a fixed first charge on the club's properties valued at just under £3m and the building firm has a second charge on the assets.

The club was forced to make the offer to the minor creditors because they face the burden of having to spend £400,000 on ground improvements to meet the requirements of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act.

A statement issued by the club yesterday said that in rejecting the offer the creditors felt "it would be better to await events over an indefinite number of years on the basis that financial success could mean their debt repaid in full".

The creditors plan to meet Chelsea officials and the club's financial advisers to work out a scheme for the club to issue deferred stock in lieu of the debts. Such a plan would take time to implement, however, and the creditors agreed to a further moratorium of 12 months on their debts.

Athletics

Both Ford and Stewart must rely on a good run

By Cliff Temple
Athletics Correspondent

Although the European championships qualifying standard is only 28min 50sec, any runner in the United Kingdom closed championships which begin tonight in Edinburgh (7.30) with an eye on a 10,000 metres place for Prague will probably need to think more in terms of a time below 28 minutes. And although that has been accomplished in past seasons by Bernard Ford and Ian Stewart, a warm sun may not help them if it chooses to shine upon the 3.15 start tomorrow afternoon.

Both Ford and Stewart will have to rely for selection on a good run tomorrow, and although Ford at least has a fourth place in the AAAs championship race last month to his credi t,he may need a very quick time to dissuade the British selectors from merely naming for Prague the same three men who will run for England in Edmonton: Brendan Foster, Michael McLeod and David Black.

Foster will not race 10,000 metres in Edinburgh but his place for Prague must be safe, while although McLeod and Black have both entered, either may choose to rest on his AAAs performance. McLeod was second on that occasion in 28min 4.2sec, behind Foster's European record og 2min 30.3sec, which is why a time of around 28 minutes would be so significant tomorow to Ford or Stewart or anyone else, especially if McLeod does not run.

Stewart is the mystery man, having raced well in the winter, but been hindered in the summer by a salt deficiency. He did not run in the AAA's championship, and his 3,000 metres performance at Gateshead last Sunday, where he faded to eighth place, was not all that convincing. But it may be simple sharpness he lacks, less crucial in the longer race.

The championships, by Kraft, start this eve the heats of the m women's 400 metres hu 800 metres, and for th only admission to Me Stadium is free.

Other European chan selections will be decided 50 kilometre race walki pionship at Trafford Pa chester, tomorrow (12 n a field of nearly 200 c will take part. Only tw walkers, Brian Adams Richards, have so far bettered 4hr 20min for tance. Adams, from Walking Club, is the fav tomorrow's event.

The International Athletic Federation has that four American ath cluding the former wo Jump record holder, Stones, have been indefinitely by the AAU States because, amon reasons, they "received money from Superstars competitions and direct their own athletic club, own use, without the ap the AAU".

In addition to Ston recently won his fifth high jump title, the banned are the world javeline record holde Schmidt, distance runner Larrieu, and the Unite pentathlon record hold Frederick.

The IAAF president, Paulen, has warned the o committee of the eigh Games, due to be held in from December 9 to 22, th they invite Israel to tak the Games, the necessar for the athletics events w issued by the IAAF. T mittee had previously against inviting Isra

St. Andrews–the crazy golf course

By John Woodcock

Few golfers who have not been there can have any real comprehension of what playing on the Old course at St Andrews means. I am not talking about its atmosphere or its traditions (though they, of course, are a part of it) so much as the physical differences between a round of golf where the Open championship is being played and a round anywhere else in the world.

For example, there are only four single greens—the first, ninth, 17th and 18th. At the other 14 holes the golfer finds himself sharing a green with someone who is playing a different hole. There are two flags but only one huge, immaculate surface. Years ago, when some of these double greens were even larger than they are now, mowing the one shared by the fifth and the 13th with the machines of those days entailed a walk of six and a quarter miles. The longest putt ever holed in the Open championship is believed to have been one of 40 yards at the fifth at St Andrews—by Bobby Jones in 1929.

The third and the 15th are almost an acre in size—slightly kidney-shaped and as undulating as a choppy sea. "This isn't a green", Tom Watson said, "it's a building site and I'd like a house here." Yesterday the two flags (yellow to mark the third hole and red the 15th) were perhaps 20 yards apart. Had anyone, as a result may be of being colour blind, holed out in one while going for the other he would, under Rule 32, covering "ground repair and burrowing animals" (in this case the greenkeeper?), have had the relief of a free drop, not near the hole which he was aiming at. At times there were six players and six caddies on the same green. As Weiskopf observed on Wednesday, it can be like walking down a crowded street.

Nor is this all. Many of the fairways are shared as well. Playing the 14th, for example, you find your ball, like an egg in the same nest, with the ball of someone who is playing the 15th. Players starting out on their round, down the first, pass the time of day with those finishing alongside them, undivided by such things as bushes or bunkers, at the 18th. At several holes it has paid at times to drive down a parallel fairway.

It all leads, inevitably, to some delay; it can also be the start of new friendships and, if you happen to play the wrong ball, the end of old ones. And it can be quite unsafe, all be it not in the view of the member who is claimed to have said: "Not for the life of me can I see why they say St Andrews is dangerous; dammit, in the whole of last year I was hit only three times."

Another unique feature is how the course can be played, and sometimes still is, the wrong way round. Someone turning up to play in the Amateur Championship, in the first half of the 19th century, found to his astonishment, so Bernard Darwin used to say, that he was playing the reverse course—from the first tee to the 17th green, then from the 18th tee to the 16th green and so on. They used to change in those days from one to the other, week and week about. Where else could it happen?

All day yesterday cries of "fore" rent the air, as an approach shot to one flag threatened someone putting to another. David Jones, of Bangor, for example, was waiting to putt to the third hole when the approach shot of J. C. Farmer, of Drumpellier, landed at his feet. On any normal course Jones's shot would have been hooked well wide of the green for which he was playing.

A few minutes later Bean and Palmer, playing in different threesomes, found themselves putting on the same green, which gave them a chance of a laugh and a talk and an exchange of views on double greens the size of the lawns of the White House. But I saw no-one hit and no-one who got cross. It is just a part of the charm and antiquity and the peculiarity of the place.

From baseball bat to golf club the Ozaki way

By Lewine Mair

In the Japanese camp they talk mostly of the St Andrews greens. Where, at home, their gress tends to be think and tough, the grass here is much finer and the greens are rather more undolating. They find it difficult, too, to cope with the double putting surfaces. Masashi Ozaki yesterday missing seven times from under 10ft in his 69 simply, he though, because his concentration was not at its best.

Isako Aoki, who has been described by Peter Thomson as at once the most underestimated and unpredictable of the Japanese contingent, so far looks to have the most touch and feel in this department. With his putter weighed down at the heel, he putts with th toe of the club in the air. Indeed, as he watched Aoki inact ion on the practice putting green yesterday morning, Neil Coles marvelled at the way in which the Japanese golfer could do so many things wrong and yet still contrive to give the bal a good clean rap.

If Aoki has the most impressive record in Japan in 1978—he has won thrice—it is Ozaki, a man of diverse talents, who is reckoned to be the better all-round player. Yesterday Oaki was alongside Arnold Palmer at the top of the leader board at five under par, when, at the 17th, he drove ino the left rough. ePter Oosterhuis had been observing, earlier, that everyone who hit into the left rough off the tee at that hole seemed to stay there, while Thomson was heard to say that it would have been better if the rough had never been allowed to thicken in that area. Almost inevitably, Ozaki failed to get clear with his second. Safely on the green in three, but not up the bank, he opted for his wedge rather than his putter, but still wound up with a six.

A powerfully built man—he is known as Jumbo because his arrival on the green coincided with the introduction, in Japan, of the jumbo jet—Ozaki was once a professional baseball player. When, after three years, he failed to get results, he switched to golf, spending his first years hitting balls at a driving range in Fukuoka while his wife, Yoskiko, went out to work.

It caused something of a stir when the former baseballer first appeared on the tournament circuit in 1968. Peter Nakamura, the legendary professional who has taught such as Chako Higuchi, was present at his first appearance and at once pronounced him the most powerful Japanese golfer he had seen.

Ozaki can sing, too. He has made records, owns a record company, and adds to his considerable income by singing the praises of a calculator on a Japanese TV commercial.

Terru Sugihara, the most senior member of the Japanese party, opened with a ruinous 84 on the Old course, but Kendo Kuramoto, their lone amateur representative, has made a definite impact this week. A golfer for only five or six years, Kuramoto has already won his national amateur title and, by all accounts, plans to turn professional once he has graduated from his university in the United States.

Lastly, there is Tsuneyuki Nakajima, a man who certainly cannot go down as just another Japanese golfer. A professional for three years, Nakajima is constantly shadowed by his father, a golf fanatic who, out on the course, has a tendency to grunt, disapprovingly, at most of his son's shots. Earlier this year the two went to Augusta for the Masters, and it is a matter for conjecture how the father must have reacted when, at a par five which he had earmarked for his son as a certain four, the boy ran up a 13.

Recommended; a round of golf and a good diet

Tokyo, July 13.—A regular round of golf and a sensible diet can ease the pain of growing older, a Japanese geriatrician says. Dr Konosuke Nishimura, 64, an enthusiastic amateur golfer who runs a clinic in Kyoto, will report his theory to the International Congress of Fitness Research at Johannesburg from July 15 to 19.

"I have collected during the past several years data showing several hundred people in their forties and older who are five to 10 years younger physically than average people of their age, stay healthier and prolong life accordingly", he said. "Jogging is also recommendable, but it is apt to be a little strenuous for older people and less freshening mentally because of its monotonousness."

His patients, who are mostly in their 50s and 60s, are given a physical examination. If their hearts are sound they are told to cut out rich foods and start some sort of regular exercise, like golf. "Why golf? Well, it's the kind of exercise that will help older people arrest, if not cure, their old-age illnesses—rheumatism, high blood pressure, heart or liver ailments which require two to three hours of mild exercise a day to improve circulatory functions and the flow of blood to aging tissues."

Dr Nishimura took up golf more than three decades ago because he felt weak. He was concerned that his health might have been damaged because he was less than 10 kilometres from the Hiroshima atomic explosion, although he had no obvious wounds. He says his health has been excellent but his golf is only fair. His handicap is 18.—AP.

England will host the first Commonwealth Basketball championships, from August 26 to September 3. The finals will be decided at Coventry Sports Centre after qualifying rounds at Cardiff, Edinburgh and Sunderland.

Second round scores at St Andrews

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I. OAKI (Japan), 68, 71.
S. BALLESTEROS (Spain), 69, 70.

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G. CULLEN, 73, 67.
R. SHEARER (Australia), 71, 69.

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M. OZAKI (Japan), 74, 67.
T. WATSON (US), 73, 68.
J. KITE (US), 72, 69.
T. NAKAJIMA (Japan), 70, 71.
T. WEISKOPF (US), 69, 72.

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O. MOODY (US), 75, 67.
A. PALMER (US), 71, 71.
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P. OOSTERHUIS, 72, 70.

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M. C. CAHILL (Australia), 73, 72
J. SCHROEDER (US), 73, 69.
B. GALLAGHER, 73, 71.
J. NICKLAUS (US), 71, 72.
A. BEAN (US), 73, 70.
N. FALDO, 71, 72.

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D. HAYES (SA), 74, 70.
G. BURNS (US), 73, 71.
D. JONES, 72, 72.
N. DATCLIFF, 73, 72.
V. BALLESTEROS (Spain), 73, 71.
V. T. SOMERS (Australia), 72, 72.
G. HUNT, 71, 73.
G. MASON, 70, 74.
*M. J. MILLER, 70, 74.
S. HOBDAY, 73, 71.
A. GARRIDO (Spain), 73, 71.
M. PINERO (Spain), 72, 72.
N. COLES, 71, 73.
R. FLOYD (USA), 69, 78.

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H. CLARK, 70, 75.
J. RLAND (SA), 72, 73.
P. J. BUTLER, 71, 74.
G. NORMAN (Australia), 72, 73.
*A. BRODIE, 73, 72.
*P. MCEVOY, 71, 74.
R. WYNN, 73, 72.
M. OWEN (NZ), 70, 75.
R. BARNES, 71, 74.
J. NEWTON (Australia), 68, 76.
M. J. BROWN, 73, 72.
R. M. DAVIS (Australia), 73, 72.
G. PLAYER (SA), 73, 71.

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E. MURRAY, 76, 70.
H. IRWIN (US), 75, 71.
W. LONGMUIR, 75, 71.
R. THOMPSON (US), 78, 73.
D. DUNN, 74, 72.
M. A. POXON, 75, 71.

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N. PRICE (SA), 74, 73.
D. GRAHAM (Australia), 73, 74.
*G. F. GODWIN, 74, 73.
D. MCLELLAN, 76, 71.
L. TREVINO (US), 73, 73.
P. DAWSON, 78, 72.
N. HUNT, 73, 74.
D. DURNIAN, 75, 74.
M. KRANTZ (US), 75, 72.

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H. GREEN (US), 78, 70.
M. JAMES, 74, 74.
B. HUGGETT, 71, 77.
H. BAIOCCHI (SA), 75, 73.
D. J. GOOD (Australia), 75, 73.
R. DASSU (Italy), 71, 77.
V. BAKER (USA), 73, 75.
N. J. JOB, 75, 73.
R. CHARLES (NZ), 72, 76.
J. PATE (US), 76, 72.

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C. DEFOY, 76, 73.
A. JACKLIN, 75, 74.
P. TUPLING, 76, 73.
P. LOCATELLI (Italy), 76, 73.
D. DARCY, 78, 71.
T. HORTON, 74, 73.
P. CHARLES (NZ), 75, 76.
P. SKERRITT, 74, 75.
L. HIGGINS, 75, 74.

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J. C. FARMER, 76, 74.
*P. GALLAGHER, 75, 75.
M. GREGSON, 77, 73.
W. LOCKIE, 79, 71.
C. O'CONNOR JR, 76, 74.
I. E. STANLEY (Australia), 77, 77.
K. W. MARSH (Australia), 75, 77.
A. EVANGELISTA, 78, 76.
J. MILLER (US), 75, 77.
M. SNEED (US), 75, 75.
R. DE VICENZO (Argentina), 72, 78.
S. LYLE, 72, 78.
V. B. ROOD, 75, 77.

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T. I. GILLS, 75, 76.
B. LANGER (W Germany), 78, 73.

P. G. COWEN, 76, 75.
D. JAGGER, 76, 75.
G. TUCKER, 76, 75.
P. ELSON, 78, 73.
R. P. FYFE, 75, 76.

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W. A. KRATZERT (US), 76, 76.
G. MUELLER (Sweden), 77, 75.
D. SIKON (US), 75, 77.
C. ORDONEZ (Argentina), 75, 77.
W. H. EMERY, 78, 74.
A. GALLARDO, 74, 78.
*M. E. LEWIS, 74, 78.
J. JIMINEZ (US), 77, 75.
D. I. VAUGHAN, 74, 73.

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M. L. KING, 81, 72.
*A. J. WEBSTER, 81, 72.

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G. BONNER, 73, 80.
J. POWELL, 78, 76.
G. TICKNER (Australia), 77, 77.
G. A. COWLEY, 77, 77.
P. HORTON, 76, 78.
D. M. ROBERTSON, 75, 79.

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T. MELVILLE, 75, 80.
*P. HEDGES, 75, 80.
B. INGHAM, 75, 80.
P. BERRY, 79, 76.

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R. G. R. WATKINS, 78, 78.
P. H. WILCOX, 77, 79.
A. D. SOTA (Argentina), 79, 77.
D. BROWNLEE (US), 80, 76.

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T. SUGIHARA, 84, 73.
A. H. CHANDLER, 80, 77.
W. REID, 82, 75.

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*C. MCLACHLAN, 78, 80.
*R. FISH, 78, 80.
D. J. RUSSELL, 82, 76.
*G. TURNER, 77, 81.

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G. LEVEN (France), 79, 80.

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A. TRILLINI, 80, 80.
M. MANELLI (Italy), 82, 78.

Cycling

Milk Race at the mercy of a helicopter

Super-Besse, France, July 13.—A Belgium, Paul Wellens, won today's thirteenth stage of the Tour de France cycling classic with a courageous breakaway in the mountains of the Massif Central.

Wellens, aged 26, reached the top of the 4,390-ft Super-Besse a full minute ahead of second-placed Michel Laurent, of France. Joaquim Agostinho, of Portugal, was third. Joseph Bruyere, of Belgium, kept the race leader's yellow jersey which he has held since last Friday.

Just before the half-way mark on today's 138.5-mile haul up from Figeac in sweltering heat, four riders burst to the front and rapidly built up a lead of over three minutes. A Spaniard, Andres Oliva, a Frenchmen, Raymond Martin, and Yves Hezard and Josef de schoenmaecker, of Belgium, held on for almost 60 miles but, when they tired, Wellens scorched past them.

The four were soon engulfed by the pack where the race favourites, Bernard Hinaul, of France, Joop Zoetemelk and Henne Kuiper, of the Netherlands, and the Belgians Michel Pollentier and Bruyere were playing a tactical game. First one and then another tested his rivals with short bursts of speed, but no one made any real attempt to overhaul Wellens.

TOTA STAGE: 1, P. Wellens (Belgium), 6hr 45min 49sec; 2, M. Laurent (France), 6.45.19; 3, J. Agostinho (Portugal), 6.45.21; 4, B. Hinault (France), 6.45.56; 5, M. Pollentier (Belgium), same time; 6, J. Zoetemelk (Netherlands), same; 7, J. Bruyere (Belgium), same; 8, H. Kuiper (Netherlands), same; 9, L. Van Impe (Belgium), same; 10, P. Simon (France), 6.46.08.—Reuter and UPI.

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Westcroft Park produce the unexpected

By Lavinia Watson

With the preliminary matches of the Cowdray Park Gold Cup League tournament drawing to a close, Cowdray Park, who aggregate a handicap of 23 goals, defeated Galen Weston's 20-goal Roundwood Park by 10—7 at Midhurst. Roundwood, with Devlch, Ferguson and Gonzales, playing with great panache, fought bravely against the favourites, but were constantly on the defensive after treading in time.

Perhaps the most unexpected result in the whole tournament was fulfilled yesterday when Westcroft Park, totalling only 18 goals on handicap, defeated Guy Wildenstein's well-rested cosmopolitan foursome, Les Diables Bleu, 8—7. The question of who would be second in League 1 to Cowdray Park, and thus compete for the Midhurst Town Cup next Sunday, depended upon the result of this match.

Westcroft, performing magnificently, contrived to keep Julian Hipwood, the Devils' number three, closely marked. Capt Watt, scoring his fourth, put in the decisive goal for Westcroft in extra time.

COWDRAY PARK: 1, Hon Michael Hare (3); 2, G. Pieras (8); 3, P. Williers (7). Back: P. Churchward (5).

ROUNDWOOD PARK: 1, G Weston (1); 2, A. Dorich (6); 3, D. Gonzales (8). Back: R. Ferguson (5).

LES DIABLES BLEUS: 1, The Prince of Wales (1); 2, F. Guerrico (8); 3, Hipwood (8). Back: G. Wildenstein (5).

WESTCROFT PARK: 1, M. Brown (2); 2, R. Watt (4); 3, R. Graham (5). Back: D. Dwriant (7).

Rifle shooting

Uppingham second win in three year

Uppingham School led throughout to win burton Shield Public tea mrifle championship yesterday their second three years and their fou 1975. The team of eight, at 200 and 500 yards, sc out of 560 to finish with lead of six points over College and Oakham Scho

Uppingham won the Kli for the best score, 256, a yards range, and Cheltenl lege won the County Life for the best score of 259 a yards range. The 57 team shooting in the morning mist but finished the day sunshine, which kept score

Uppingham were winne Ashburton Shield in 1 1976. Oakham School second place at the ch from 200 yards range to 5 totalled 253, the same Marlborough College. La winners, Allhallows Scho well down at the halfwa with a score of 224.

RESULTS: Public School Ashburton Shield: Uppingha Malvern 505 (252 at 600 505 (252 at 500); Harlaxt Marling: Ardburgh 530. Publ Snap Shooting: 376. Devo field 340; The London Scotti almond 407. The Royal Sussc pierpoint 468. The Cotteal Victoria College 500. Kinder ham 256. The Cranleigh Mal ham 259. The Ninth Man: Ca Barbour Bradfield 497. Oun The rapids aggregate: Privat Taylor, Canadian Forces 14 Canada: 7th Gurkha Rifles 6 Hamilton Lee Canadian Forces Service Rifle Championship: shot between Cpl J. Mc Park and Pte L. P. R. R. Royal Air Force (bot. 4/224

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…ays cricket—less than … scored. Not a recipe …g driving Open golf or …p football off the tele…eens; but it tells the …Surrey and Yorkshire …even combat.

…yesterday, Yorkshire, …xception, seldom looked …ering the Surrey fast …he pitch which shot out … signal now and then, … light which, though … than on Wednesday, …erated between sun… … slight gloom. The … was the batsman … who, until he was run …e ball as if to impress …o was master. When …he made. It travel to … of the green carpet. …re joined his captain, …after Athey, the other … batsman, had quickly … soon outpaced him. It …ott two hours altogether …, and he then departed, … of six batsmen to be …hind the wicket or in

…ire's run out was an … piece of work by …who during all the York…ngs fielded inspiringly on …ed square between the …d the west terraces. At …t he held his hands …r stopping some scorch…es from Hampshire, but …s revenge.

…d by Bairstow, Hamp…t the bowler's end when …pushed the ball square. …nen had managed some …gles, and now tried an… Butcher pounced on the …it ha quick underhand … the stumps. Thus went …, two short of his half

… most the same spot, two … Butcher helped to dis… for nought. Old being …d when batting. Butcher …t point, and he made no …hen the Yorkshireman, …get over the ball, sent …d catch at chest height. … It became a question …Yorkshire would reach …y first innings total of … score crept along, and …allender at last gratified …umping a six off Pocock … close-at-hand west ter…was not a square cut as …ave liked, for Cooper, …ft-hander, had his back to the terraces; but it was a goodly pull, all the same.

Up to this point, no Yorkshireman had been bowled but now Jackman restored the balance a little. From the Vauxhall end earlier he had caused three men to snick into safe hands, though a later spell from the pavilion end was unrewarding. Knight now brought him on again at the Vauxhall end, and he closed the innings by scattering the stumps of Cope and Cooper, though not before Yorkshire had a lead of one run.

Jackman's five victims cost 43 runs. He has now taken one thousand wickets in first-class cricket, having reached this total in his previous match.

With so many quick bowlers in action on both sides, a rough calculation shows that perhaps three hours or more over the two days have been taken up by bowlers marching back to their starting stalls, and running up to the wicket. All the more need, therefore, to hasten now the pace of events, and this Surrey, in their second innings, tried to do. In sunshine once more, Butcher and Lynch began busily, but both went at 26. Roope did not stay long, but Knight and Younis are still there to continue the combat today.

SURREY: First Innings, 164 (R. D. V. Knight 60, S. Oldham 5 for 40).

Second Innings

A. R. Butcher, c Bairstow, b Old .. 17
M. A. Lynch, c Athey, b Oldham .. 9
*R. D. V. Knight, not out .. 22
G. R. J. Roope, l-b-w, b Old .. 5
Younis Ahmed, not out .. 9
Extras (l-b 1, n-b 2) .. 3

Total (3 wkts) .. 65

D. M. Smith, Intikhab Alam, R. D. Jackman, †C. J. Richards, P. I. Pocock, D. J. Thomas.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—26, 2—26, 3—38.

YORKSHIRE: First Innings

*G. Boycott, c Richards, b Jackman .. 19
L. G. Lumb, c Richards, b Thomas 6
C. W. J. Athey, c Richards, b Jackman .. 5
J. H. Hampshire, run out .. 48
C. Johnson, c Roope, b Jackman 3
†D. L. Bairstow, c Roope, b Thomas .. 24
P. Carrick, c Richards, b Knight 8
C. M. Old, c Butcher, b Thomas 0
G. A. Cope, b Jackman .. 17
H. P. Cooper, b Jackman .. 20
S. Oldham, not out .. 0
Extras (b 2, l-b 9, w 2, n-b 3) 16

Total (95.3 overs) .. 165

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—18, 2—23, 3—52, 4—56, 5—110, 6—117, 7—117, 8—131, 9—164, 10—165.

BOWLING: Jackman, 33.3—14—43—5; Thomas, 29—11—58—3; Roope, 7—2—14—0; Knight, 14—6—17—1; Intikhab, 5—1—8—0; Pocock, 5—2—9—0.

Bonus points: Surrey 5 pts, Yorkshire 5.

Umpires: T. W. Spencer and A. G. T. Whitehead.

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…NE: Glamorgan, with …nd innings wickets in …l Kent by 109 runs.

…ilkins, Glamorgan's left…m bowler, took three …or two runs in 14 balls … to have the county …ship leaders, Kent, peri…ced on 133 for six off … They were chasing a …i total of 284 for nine. …ood (five for 64) had …norgan's tormenter, but …f (51) who rescued Kent …ir batting plight. He …0 in 81 minutes, with …s, and added 50 off 13 …1 Hills (31 not out) for …h wicket.

…clared at 202 for nine, …ehind, and then Under…k the sole Glamorgan …t fell for 27. So far this …aldstone Underwood has …ickets for 143 runs.

… morning, Glamorgan …0 in the 88th over, …1 then had Ontong … first slip by Tavaré to …nnings that lasted 166 …nd include a six and … Underwood, finding …wicket to his liking, had …ght by Downton at 253 …ds next over bowled …was going for a big … gave Underwood five …r the third time in a … he had taken three for …1 balls. At 274 Glamor…eir eighth wicket when …mes was caught by … point off Shepherd.

…n began their last …ing. 17 for a fourth …int and Kent needing … wicket for maximum …oints. It looked like a … until the fourth ball …le was run out after a …anding.

…n gained their first …ter lunch when Nash …olmer leg before at 34. …med Rowe, who had some anxious moments against Nash but recovered well, and Kent reached 67 for one off 27 overs.

GLAMORGAN: First Innings

*A. Jones, c and b Underwood 34
J. A. Hopkins, c Tavaré, b Shepherd .. 97
R. C. Ontong, c Tavaré, b Underwood .. 75
G. Richards, c Downton, b Shepherd .. 15
B. J. Lloyd, b Underwood .. 0
P. D. Swart, c Downton, b Underwood .. 21
M. A. Nash, b Underwood .. 2
M. J. Llewellyn, not out .. 25
†E. W. Jones, c Johnson, b Shepherd .. 0
A. E. Cordle, run out .. 5
A. H. Wilkins, not out .. 1
Extras (l-b 6, w 3, n-b 4) .. 13

Total (9 wkts) .. 284

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—98, 2—178, 3—206, 4—212, 5—250, 6—253, 7—261, 8—274, 9—283.

BOWLING: Jarvis, 16—3—48—0; Shepherd, 34—5—116—3; Woolmer, 6—3—11—0; Underwood, 34—17—64—5; Hills, 9—2—30—0; Johnson, 1—0—2—0.

Second Innings

*A. Jones, b Underwood .. 9
J. A. Hopkins, not out .. 11
B. J. Lloyd, not out .. 4
Extras (l-b 1, w 1, n-b 1) .. 3

Total (1 wkt) .. 27

R. C. Ontong, G. Richards, P. D. Swart, M. J. Llewellyn, M. A. Nash, †E. W. Jones, A. E. Cordle and A. H. Wilkins to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1—21.

KENT: First Innings

R. A. Woolmer, l-b-w, b Nash .. 14
C. J. C. Rowe, l-b-w, b Wilkins 39
C. J. Tavaré, c Llewellyn, b Wilkins .. 32
Asif Iqbal, c E. Jones, b Swart 51
*A. G. E. Ealham, c Hopkins, b Wilkins .. 8
J. N. Shepherd, c Hopkins, b Swart .. 11
G. W. Johnson, l-b-w, b Wilkins 0
R. W. Hills, not out .. 31
†P. R. Downton, l-b-w, b Cordle 3
D. L. Underwood, c Lloyd, b Cordle .. 0
K. B. S. Jarvis, not out .. 0
Extras (l-b 5, n-b 10) .. 15

Total (9 wkts dec: 70 overs) 202

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—54, 2—91, 3—98, 4—119, 5—132, 6—133, 7—185, 8—190, 9—190.

BOWLING: Nash, 13—1—32—1; Cordle, 18—7—31—2; Wilkins, 18—4—61—4; Ontong, 7—2—28—0; Swart, 15—2—37—2.

Bonus points: Glamorgan 7 pts, Kent 6.

Umpires W. L. Budd and C. Cook.

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…HAM: Warwickshire … second innings wickets …ed 88 runs to avoid an …feat by the New Zea…

… and Parker scored un…nures as the New … made the strongest …tempt to make it two …n succession at the …Warwickshire. …rtnership of 192 in 166 …t the touring team with … 237 and at the close …re were still 88 adrift … wickets standing at 149 (115 minutes and eight fours) when Warwickshire went in at the close at 149 for three.

…stroyed the overnight …taking two wickets for …deliveries but Congdon, … 210 minutes and hit a …ght fours and Parker, … fours, dominated the … that Burgess could …414 for four, the Tour… highest score of the

…hire lost two wickets … found in Abberley a …red to apply himself …ecessary concentration …s still there with 51

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings, 177 (G. W. Humpage 55, R. J. Hadlee 4 for 39).

Second Innings

D. L. Amiss, c Hadlee, b Collinge 25
K. D. Smith, l-b-w, b Hadlee .. 17
R. N. Abberley, not out .. 61
*J. Whitehouse, c Edgar, b Hadlee 28
†G. W. Humpage, not out .. 18
Extras (l-b 5, n-b 5) .. 10

Total (3 wkts) .. 149

A. I. Kallicharran, P. R. Oliver, S. P. Perryman, D. J. Brown, R. G. D. Willis and C. Clifford to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—26, 2—58, 3—126.

NEW ZEALANDERS: First Innings

J. G. Wright, c Humpage, b Willis .. 61
R. W. Anderson, l-b-w, b Willis 14
G. P. Howarth, c and b Willis 85
*M. G. Burgess, c Kallicharran, b Perryman .. 28
B. E. Congdon, not out .. 110
J. M. Parker, not out .. 100
Extras (l-b 8, n-b 10) .. 18

Total (4 wkts dec) .. 414

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—50, 2—169, 3—174, 4—222.

BOWLING: Willis, 18—2—59—3; Brown, 27—4—89—0; Perryman, 23—3—88—1; Clifford, 29.3—4—107—0; Oliver, 20—3—47—0; Amiss, 1—0—6—0.

Umpires: H. D. Bird and B. J. Meyer.

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…ly 13.—A compromise … in the Supreme Court …ed the way for Kerry …icketers to play in … grade cricket. The …settled Dennis Lillee's …o the Western Austra… Association, who had …l from playing in club …s and from practising … on turf pitches

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Today's cricket

TOUR MATCH
BIRMINGHAM: Warwickshire v New Zealand (11.00-5.30 or 6.00).

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP (11.00-5.30 or 6.00)
DERBY: Derbyshire v Northamptonshire.
COLCHESTER: Essex v Somerset.
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Lancashire.
PORTSMOUTH: Hampshire v Sussex.
MAIDSTONE: Kent v Glamorgan.
LORD'S: Middlesex v Leicestershire.
NEWARK: Nottinghamshire v Worcestershire.

SECOND XI COMPETITION
CHEPSTOW: Glamorgan II v Gloucestershire II.
DOVER: Kent II v Hampshire II.
BYFLEET (BAC): Surrey II v Nottinghamshire II.
HOVE: Sussex II v Middlesex II.
LEEDS: Yorkshire II v Warwickshire II.
MANCHESTER: Lancashire II v Leicestershire II.

Gooch's qualities not liked by all

By Richard Streeton

COLCHESTER: Essex with three second innings in hand, lead Somerset by 315 runs.

Scoring runs in the warm sunshine at Castle Park yesterday was as speculative a business as bookmaking. The pitch helped bowlers obtain irregular movement all day, and a degree of luck as well as skill were needed to bat for long. Somerset's first innings was completed half an hour after lunch and Essex, with a lead of 132 runs, passed the remainder of the day grinding in the heel.

For the noncommitted there was consolation that the three quality innings of the day came from young Englishmen whose ability and bright future have already been recognized. Botham and Roebuck added 72 in 16 overs for the fifth Somerset wicket, a stand that effectively made certain the follow-on would be avoided.

Gooch played equally well for Essex later, even if some of the crowd did not appreciate how difficult the conditions were and thought him too slow. Gooch recently had some good judges in raptures at Lord's as he played calmly and correctly against Daniel in full cry. In cricket terms, perhaps, he has been a slow developer, but it was not difficult to understand why England are anxious to persevere with him. For two hours Gooch was sound and solid and without him Essex might have been torpedoed without trace.

Essex were 25 for two after an hour in their second innings, the ball's swing proving too much for Denness, who was caught behind, and McEwan, who was held at slip. Fletcher, with careful authority, and Gooch added 62 runs together before Gooch was out. He had just driven Breakwell over long off for six when the bowler tempted him with a slower ball that yielded short mid-wicket a catch.

Fletcher went soon afterwards, an attempted drive against a ball that lifted carrying to deep backward point. Hardie and Pont, in their different ways, helped enlarge the total importantly in the closing stages.

First thing in the day Essex declared at their overnight total and Somerset made a dreadful start. They lost four wickets with only 31 scored in the first 12 overs, Lever and Phillip each taking two wickets. Lever needs only a further 29 wickets to reach 100 this summer and must be the only person in the country still wondering if he will be wintering in Australia. It makes one wish that in cases like his, touring parties were still announced in dribs and drabs as used to be the case up to 20 years ago. The method had its pitfalls but in certain circumstances it meant that players were not unnecessarily left on the rack.

Denning was splendidly caught low down at third slip in Lever's first over; Rose was out second ball in the second over. His mistimed drive was ambitious so early on and Lever dived forward at mid-off to hold a good catch. The important wicket of Richards was the next success for Essex, the batsman pushing half forward and missing a ball that came back at him. Richards did not field later because of a temperature and suspected tonsillitis.

After Slocombe was caught behind, the fifth wicket pair's salvage operation was full of contrast. Botham, capitalizing on those massive shoulders, drove fiercely whenever possible; Roebuck was more gentle though mostly equally assured even if he survived one early chance to third slip against Phillip. Once these two were separated the wickets tumbled rapidly again. Roebuck had his off-stump hit as he played towards mid-on: Breakwell gave a simple return catch; and Botham was out to a fine catch by Pont at cover point. The ball was held low as it swirled to the fieldsman's left after the batsman sliced a drive. Taylor and Burges saw the follow-on saved: Turner and East completed the bowling task. Somerset will have to bat a lot more successfully today if Essex are not to draw away into a challenging position behind Kent, the leaders in the table.

ESSEX: First Innings, 270 for 9 dec (M. H. Denness 78, B. R. Hardie 52, N. Phillip 50). BOWLING: Botham, 19—4—30—2; Moseley, 24—8—53—2; Dredge, 25—4—60—3; Burgess, 17—4—71—0; Breakwell, 13—2—35—1.

Second Innings

M. H. Denness, c Taylor, b Moseley .. 9
G. A. Gooch, c Denning, b Breakwell .. 43
K. S. McEwan, c Denning, b Burgess .. 6
*K. W. R. Fletcher, c Denning, b Moseley .. 18
B. R. Hardie, b Botham .. 40
K. R. Pont, b Moseley .. 35
N. Phillip, not out .. 20
S. Turner, c Burgess, b Botham 3
Extras (b 10, l-b 2) .. 12

Total (7 wkts) .. 163

R. E. East, N. Smith and J. K. Lever to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—8, 2—18, 3—80, 4—83, 5—147, 6—165, 7—183.

SOMERSET: First Innings

*B. C. Rose, c Lever, b Phillip 5
P. W. Denning, c Turner, b Lever 2
I. V. A. Richards, l-b-w, b Lever 14
P. A. Slocombe, c Smith, b Phillip 4
P. M. Roebuck, b Turner .. 37
I. T. Botham, c Pont, b East .. 44
D. Breakwell, c and b Turner .. 4
†D. J. S. Taylor, l-b-w, b Turner 5
G. I. Burgess, c Gooch, b Turner 14
C. H. Dredge, c Fletcher, b East 1
H. R. Moseley, not out .. 0
Extras (b 1, l-b 4, n-b 2) .. 7

Total (47.1 overs) .. 138

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—5, 2—5, 3—27, 4—31, 5—103, 6—111, 7—111, 8—117, 9—134, 10—138.

BOWLING: Lever, 12—1—33—2; Phillip, 9—0—38—2; Turner, 16.1—2—47—4; East, 10—5—13—2.

Bonus points: Essex 7, Somerset 4.

Umpires: R. Aspinall and R. T. Wilson.

Lancashire benefit from Procter off-day

By Alan Gibson

BRISTOL: Lancashire, with all second innings wickets in hand, need 66 runs to beat Gloucestershire.

Eighteen wickets had fallen on Wednesday, and 12 more fell yesterday. Lancashire began at 83 for eight, 81 runs behind, and battled on, dourly, until they had scored 127, only 37 behind on the first innings; much better than they can have hoped when they had lost their first five wickets for nine runs. It was Simmons who sustained the innings.

He has never been a negligible batsman. Although I have not seen either of his first class centuries, I doubt if he has batted better than he did in this match. Clearly he irritated Procter, with his solid, obdurate progress for Procter's bowling became too short, too hasty, and also too prolonged. It is rarely that I have had any occasion, and certainly never any desire, to speak unfavourably of Procter, but this was not one of his wiser spells.

However, he finished with seven wickets, and the pitch—or so we pundits thought—was playing more easily than at any time in the match. We settled down to watch Gloucestershire make the necessary substantial second innings score.

Ho, hum. Before you could blink, Gloucestershire had lost two wickets for one run. Stovold was caught at the wicket and Zaheer at slip. Hignell was leg before at 21. The fourth wicket fell at 28 when Sadiq was out, also caught at slip, in the sixteenth over. Procter and Foat made a stand, and as the score moved into the sixties, Gloucestershire's supporters were beginning to feel a little happier. But then Procter was caught at the wicket. Both wicket-keepers in this match have played very well.

Foat, who seems to be, after a few hesitations, fulfilling his promise, kept the innings going for a time. Shackleton helped, batting much as his father would have done in similar circumstances. So too, and I say it in all seriousness, did Davey, looking as solemn as an old owl. But the innings was over for 133, at ten past five.

This meant that Lancashire had to score 171 to win. The ball had been turning, towards the end of the Gloucestershire innings, and Procter, I am bound to say, again seemed a little reluctant to bring on his spin bowlers. David Lloyd and Kennedy soon settled in. Suddenly the pitch looked easy again. I came to the conclusion that the pitch has not had much to do with the fluctuations of this match—although the atmosphere undoubtedly has. There was a moist haze in the middle of the day, which reminded me of the sea front at Hove, on one of those mornings when Maurice Tate would wear his sleeves rolled up and his grin broad.

Lloyd and Kenndy scored so fast at one stage that we began to wonder whether Lancashire, with clouds creeping round the sky, might claim the extra half an hour, and win the match in a couple of days. This was beyond them, but there is no doubt who is in the commanding position.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings, 164 (R. M. Ratcliffe, 5 for 54).

Second Innings

A. W. Stovold, c Lyon, b Ratcliffe 0
Sadiq Mohammad, c D. Lloyd, b Allott .. 10
Zaheer Abbas, c D. Lloyd, b Allott .. 1
A. J. Hignel, l-b-w, b Allott .. 15
J. C. Foat, c C. Lloyd, b Simmons .. 38
*M. J. Procter, c Lyon, b Ratcliffe .. 20
D. A. Graveney, c Lyon, b Ratcliffe .. 4
A. J. Brassington, b Ratcliffe .. 0
J. H. Shackleton, c C. H. Lloyd, b Arrowsmith .. 22
J. Davey, at Lyon, b Simmons .. 10
J. H. Childs, not out .. 3
Extras (b 4, l-b 3, n-b 3) 10

Total .. 133

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—0, 2—1, 3—21, 4—28, 5—62, 6—68, 7—68, 8—107, 9—129, 10—133.

BOWLING: Ratcliffe, 22—9—31—4; Allott, 16—1—51—3; Kennedy, 7—3—6—0; Simmons, 11—6—17—2; Arrowsmith, 8.3—5—12—1.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings

D. Lloyd, b Procter .. 4
A. Kennedy, c Brassington, b Procter .. 0
J. Abrahams, c Shackleton, b Procter .. 7
*F. C. Hayes, c Foat, b Procter 0
C. H. Lloyd, c Brassington, b Procter .. 0
R. Wood, l-b-w, b Procter .. 2
J. Simmons, c Zaheer b Procter 81
†J. Lyon, c Brassington, b Davey 5
R. M. Ratcliffe, c Stovold, b Davey .. 0
R. Arrowsmith, c Hignell, Childs 23
P. J. W. Allott, not out .. 0
Extras (l-b 5) .. 5

Total (51.5 overs) .. 127

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—4, 2—5, 3—7, 4—7, 5—9, 6—52, 7—62, 8—66, 9—125, 10—127.

BOWLING: Procter, 19—6—45—7; Davey, 19—6—37—2; Shackleton, 10—3—29—0; Childs, 3.5—1—11—1.

Second Innings

D. Lloyd, not out .. 59
A. Kennedy, not out .. 42
Extras (n-b 4) .. 4

Total (0 wkt) .. 105

J. Abrahams, *F. C. Hayes, C. H. Lloyd, B. Wood, J. Simmons, †J. Lyon, R. M. Ratcliffe, R. Arrowsmith and P. Allott to bat.

Bonus points: Gloucestershire 5pts, Lancashire 4.

Umpires: K. E. Palmer and R. Julian.

Edmonds the wrecker of Leicestershire

Middlesex need 91 runs to win with all second innings wickets standing following the collapse of Leicestershire for 98 at Lord's. Middlesex started the day 107 behind on a precarious 62 for five but, after losing two quick wickets, Gatting and Emburey came to the rescue with an eight-wicket stand of 57 in 74 minutes. Gatting scored 53 with six fours in 146 minutes.

The second Leicestershire innings started as securely as the first, with 47 runs for the first wicket in 85 minutes. Edmonds broke the opening stand and wet on to wreck Leicestershire as 10 wickets fell for 51 runs. Edmonds had a spell of three wickets for one run in two overs. His final figures were 18.2—6—34—7.

Middlesex, needing 120 to win, were 29 without loss by the close of a day in which 15 wickets had fallen.

Portsmouth

Imran Khan's best bowling performance of the season was responsible for Sussex taking a 27-run first innings lead over Hampshire. Imran, extracting lift from a wicket of variable bounce, took six for 41 as Hampshire lost their last eight wickets for 83.

One short ball from Imran struck Hampshire's opener, Greenidge, in the face, but the West Indian was able to continue after treatment. Hampshire's left-arm spin bowler, Southern, also returned his best bowling of the season by taking five for 32 from 33 overs in Sussex's first innings total of 190. At the colse Sussex were 72 for two.

Derby

The maiden century for which an England all-rounder, Miller, has waited for five years stayed just beyond his reach again against Northamptonshire. He batted for five hours with discipline and restraint to reach 91, then perished to a rash shot against Griffiths and was caught behind the wicket.

Miller shook his head in disgust as he departed, but he had provided the backbone for Derbyshire's revival from the perils of 20 for three. He and Kirsten, who made 87, put on 137 for the fourth wicket; Miller then shared in a stand of 108 with Cartwright

Cartwright's brisk 66 enabled Derbyshire to pick up three batting points before they declared at 279 for six in the hundreth over. Northamptonshire cleared the deficit of 38 runs without misha pand had a lead of 25 in reaching 63 without loss at the close.

Newark

Worcestershire seem poised to snatch their first victory in the championship this summer at the expense of Nottinghamshire. At the end of the second day they have a lead of 282, thanks largely to an unbeaten 68 from Hemsley.

Nottinghamshire were dismissed for a disappointing 152. Only the opener, Harris, who made a patient 46, and an all-rounder, Birch, with 34, seemed capable of halting the middle-order collapse.

Hampshire v Sussex

AT PORTSMOUTH

SUSSEX: First Innings

K. C. Wessels, c Greenidge, b Jesty .. 29
G. D. Mendis, c Greenidge, b Jesty .. 8
P. W. G. Parker, c Cowley, b Rice .. 26
C. P. Phillipson, c Greenidge, b Southern .. 17
Imran Khan, c Stephenson, b Rice 33
J. R. T. Barclay, c and b Southern 1
S. J. Storey, l-b-w, b Southern 1
M. A. Buss, c Gilliat, b Southern 26
*A. Long, c and b Southern .. 1
G. G. Arnold, run out .. 21
C. E. Waller, not out .. 6
Extras (l-b 11, w 1, n-b 3) .. 15

Total (98.5 overs) .. 190

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—20, 2—41, 3—90, 4—90, 5—99, 6—124, 7—130, 8—136, 9—167, 10—190.

BOWLING: Stevenson, 20—3—55—0; Jesty, 10—2—26—2; Tremlett, 6—3—7—0; Taylor, 6—3—6—0; Southern, 33.5—20—32—5; Rice, 17—4—34—2; Cowley, 6—1—12—0.

Second Innings

K. C. Wessels, c Rice, b Stevenson .. 16
G. D. Mendis, c Stephenson, b Stevenson .. 1
P. W. G. Parker, not out .. 35
C. P. Phillipson, not out .. 14
Extras (b 2, l-b 3, n-b 1) .. 6

Total (3 wkts) .. 72

Imran Khan, J. R. T. Barclay, S. J. Storey, M. A. Buss, †A. Long, G. G. Arnold and C. E. Waller to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—7, 2—30.

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings

C. G. Greenidge, c Wessels, b Imran .. 39
J. M. Rice, l-b-w, b Arnold .. 0
D. R. Turner, c Long, b Imran .. 3
T. E. Jesty, c Long, b Imran .. 30
N. G. Cowley, l-b-w, b Buss .. 11
*R. M. C. Gilliat, c Long, b Arnold .. 13
M. N. S. Taylor, c Phillipson, b Imran .. 32
T. M. Tremlett, c Mendis, b Imran 5
†G. R. Stephenson, c Barclay, b Imran .. 5
K. Stevenson, b Arnold .. 1
J. W. Southern, not out .. 0
Extras (b 10, l-b 6, n-b 7) 23

Total (59.5 overs) .. 165

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—23, 2—42, 3—80, 4—90, 5—109, 6—114, 7—155, 8—162, 9—163, 10—163.

BOWLING: Imran, 21—7—41—6; Arnold, 17.5—4—36—3; Phillipson, 5—0—30—0; Buss, 8—4—15—1; Waller, 8—2—16—0.

Bonus points: Sussex 5 pts, Hampshire 5

Umpires: A. E. G. Rhodes and W. E. Phillipson.

Notts v Worcestershire

AT NEWARK

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings, 251 (B. L. D'Oliveira 73 P. A. Neale 64; D. R. Doshi 6 for 67)

Second Innings

J. A. Ormrod, c Rice, b Doshi .. 4
G. M. Turner, c Randall, b Doshi 13
P. A. Neale, b Cooper .. 4
E. J. O. Hemsley, not out .. 68
†D. J. Humphries, b White .. 57
*N. Gifford, b White .. 12
B. L. D'Oliveira, c French, b Doshi .. 18
D. N. Patel, c French, b Doshi 18
J. C. Watson, not out .. 16
Extras (l-b 6, n-b 2) .. 8

Total (7 wkts) .. 203

A. P. Pridgeon and J. Cumbes to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—20, 2—21, 3—29, 4—106, 5—133, 6—144, 7—170.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

M. J. Harris, b Gifford .. 46
P. A. Todd, c Humphries, b Gifford .. 15
D. W. Randall, c Humphries, b Cumbes .. 0
C. E. B. Rice, st Humphries, b Gifford .. 13
J. D. Birch, st Humphries, b Patel .. 34
*M. J. Smedley, c Hemsley, b Patel .. 3
R. A. White, c Gifford, b Patel 25
H. T. Tunnicliffe, c Hemsley, b Patel .. 0
†B. N. French, b Gifford .. 4
K. Cooper, run out .. 1
D. R. Doshi, not out .. 1
Extras (l-b 8, n-b 4) .. 12

Total (84.5 overs) .. 152

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—32, 2—33, 3—51, 4—101, 5—113, 6—143, 7—145, 8—150, 9—151, 10—152.

BOWLING: Pridgeon, 5—1—10—0; Watson, 5—1—9—0; Cumbes, 17—5—33—1; Gifford, 30.5—15—42—4; Patel, 21—7—50—4; D'Oliveira, 6—1—16—0.

Bonus points: Worcestershire 6 pts, Nottinghamshire 5.

Umpires: D. J. Halfyard and D. O. Oslear.

Middlesex v Leicester

AT LORD'S

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings, 169 (J. C. Balderstone 52 not out; M. W. Gatting 5 for 59).

Second Innings

B. Dudleston, c Barlow, b Edmonds .. 27
J. F. Steele, c sub, b Emburey .. 23
J. C. Balderstone, c Radley, b Edmonds .. 4
B. F. Davison, run out .. 1
D. I. Gower, c Gould, b Emburey 3
*R. W. Tolchard, not out .. 17
J. Birkenshaw, c Emburey, b Edmonds .. 13
†P. B. Clift, c Gould, b Edmonds 7
*R. Illingworth, c Tomlins, b Edmonds .. 0
P. Booth, st Gould, b Edmonds .. 0
K. Higgs, b Edmonds .. 0
Extras (l-b 3) .. 3

Total .. 98

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—47, 2—51, 3—52, 4—59, 5—62, 6—80, 7—94, 8—94, 9—98, 10—98.

BOWLING: Daniel, 7—3—12—0; Selvey, 4—2—10—0; Gatting, 7—1—10—0; Emburey, 23—10—29—2; Edmonds, 18.2—6—34—7.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings

*J. M. Brearley, c Tolchard, b Higgs .. 9
M. J. Smith, b Higgs .. 16
C. T. Radley, c Steele, b Clift 19
G. D. Barlow, c Steele, b Higgs 0
K. P. Tomlins, l-b-w, b Higgs .. 0
†I. J. Gould, b Higgs .. 0
M. W. Gatting, b Higgs .. 53
P. H. Edmonds, c and b Clift .. 10
J. E. Emburey, c Steele, b Clift 20
M. W. W. Selvey, not out .. 8
W. W. Daniel, b Higgs .. 0
Extras (l-b 3, w 2, n-b 1) .. 6

Total (73.4 overs) .. 148

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—26, 2—31, 3—31, 4—31, 5—39, 6—62, 7—74, 8—131, 9—147, 10—148.

BOWLING: Higgs, 28.4—11—44—7; Booth, 6—0—27—0; Clift, 22—7—42—3; Illingworth, 8—4—10—0; Balderstone, 8—1—19—0.

Second Innings

*J. M. Brearley, not out .. 14
C. T. Radley, not out .. 15

Total (0 wkt) .. 29

M. J. Smith, G. D. Barlow, K. P. Tomlins, †I. J. Gould, M. W. Gatting, P. H. Edmonds, J. E. Emburey, M. W. W. Selvey and W. W. Daniel to bat.

Bonus points: Leicestershire 5pts, Middlesex 4.

Umpires: F. R. Goodall and P. B. Wight.

Derbyshire v Northants

AT DERBY

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings, 241 (D. S. Steele 71, M. Hendrick 5 for 42).

Second Innings

*C. Cook, not out .. 22
W. Larkins, not out .. 40
Extras (l-b 1) .. 1

Total (0 wkt) .. 63

D. S. Steele, A. J. Lamb, P. Willey, T. J. Yardley, R. G. Williams, Sarfraz Nawaz, †G. Sharp, T. M. Lamb and B. J. Griffiths.

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings

A. Hill, l-b-w, b Griffiths .. 8
*E. J. Barlow, c A. Lamb, b Griffiths .. 6
P. W. Kirsten, c Williams, b Steele .. 87
A. J. Harvey-Walker, c A. Lamb, b Sarfraz .. 0
G. Miller, c Yardley, b Griffiths 91
H. Cartwright, c A. Lamb, b Sarfraz .. 66
J. S. Anderson, not out .. 2
Extras (b 6, l-b 5, w 1, n-b 7) 19

Total (6 wkts dec, 99.4 overs) .. 279

†R. W. Taylor, A Mellor, M. Hendrick and R. C. Wincer did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—8, 2—15, 3—20, 4—157, 5—265, 6—279.

BOWLING: Sarfraz, 24.4—8—52—2; Griffiths, 18—2—69—3; T. Lamb, 13—3—39—0; Willey, 22—4—46—0; Steele, 15—5—37—1; Williams, 7—1—17—0.

Bonus points: Derbyshire 7 pts, Northamptonshire 4.

Umpires: J. F. Crapp and J. van Geloven.

Second XI competition

DOVER: Kent II 322 for 7 (P. Edwards 105, N. Taylor 77, C. Cowdrey 72, R. Eims 4 for 94) and 109 for 1 (Edwards 58): Hampshire II 218 (A. Murthagh 55, G. Spelman 4 for 59).

BYFLEET: Nottingham I 231 (K. S. Mackintosh 57, R. P. Baker 4 for 66, A. Needham 3 for 56) and 73 for 6 (P. H. Wilson 4 for 16): Surrey II 260 (A. Needham 88, B. Bolus 4 for 50).

Racing

Solinus leaves O'Brien at a loss to name a superior sprinter

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

If there is a better sprinter than Solinus in training in Europe, he or she was not in evidence at Newmarket yesterday when Vincent O'Brien's massively handsome colt laid his claim to be regarded as the best speedhorse around on this side of the Atlantic, among the older generation at least. Solinus looked a man among boys in the paddock, where his condition was as much a tribute to his own constitution as it was to anything his handlers could have achieved during his preparations for the July Cup.

Afterwards, O'Brien was at a loss to name a better sprinter that he had ever had in his care, nor one easier to train and more capable of looking after himself than Solinus. Before this season began I thought that Solinus had all the physical attributes of a champion sprinter and it was nice to see one's feelings confirmed for once in a somewhat unpredictable year. Yesterday Solinus led from start to finish and did not even have to be subjected to the full Piggott treatment, for want of a better expression, to beat the gallant four-year-old filly, Sanedtki by a neck.

As Solinus eventually started at 7-4 on to beat what were arguably the best around, no wonder the sponsors, the William Hill Organization, were not keen to lay more than 2-1 on his beating what could easily amount to weaker opposition for their sprint championship at York next month.

That exceptionally fast mare, Cawston's Pride, died not long after giving birth to yesterday's winner, who was sold, to all intents and purposes, by the Greek View farm at Saratoga two years ago for $75,000. However, when the would-be buyer went back on that deal, Greek View's owner, Robert Sangster, was left with what was anything but an ugly duckling. The following February Mr Sangster sold part of Solinus, as he came to be known, to Danny Schwartz, whose colours he has carried subsequently

By winning the July Cup in addition to the King's Stand takes at Royal Ascot, Solinus achieved a rare feat. He has won the only group I sprints staged in England in a season and by so doing definitely deserves to walk into the stallion box at the Castle Hyde stud in Ireland later this year. It will be vacated soon by Sun Prince, whose recent sale to Japan for £1.2m may well be regretted by Anglo-Irish breeders.

O'Brien and Mr Sangster confirmed yesterday that Alleged, who won last year's Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, seems to have recovered from the virus which prevented him from running in the Hardwicke Stakes at Royal Ascot and that he is now doing a couple of strong canters a day. O'Brien went on to say that he is hopeful Alleged will be fit to run in the Joe McGrath Memorial Stakes at Leopardstown on September 23, before trying to become the first horse to win the Arc two years in succession and thus emulate his paternal great-grandsire, Ribot, who achieved the feat in 1955 and 1956.

It would be unfair to disregard the performance yesterday of Sanedtki, who ran so well in running the winner to a neck. She is a good, game mare, renowned hitherto for her performances over seven furlongs and a mile, and who is better still on ground softer than it was yesterday. A furlong from home she looked like winning, but I suspect that Piggott on the winner still had something up his sleeve. Judged on that performance, Sanedtki will give everyone something to think about in the Prix Jacques le Marois at Deauville this month and, later, in the Prix de Moulin and the Prix de la Foret at Longchamp.

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STATE OF GOING (official): York: Good. Newbury: Good to firm. Hamilton Park: Firm. Chester: Good. Tomorrow: Ayr: Last five furlongs, good; remainder, good to firm. Nottingham: Good to firm.

Newmarket results

2.0 (2.3) RTG DAY MEMORIAL TROPHY (Handicap: £2,397: 2m 24yd)
ZELENKO, b c, by Welsh Pageant—Another Daughter (Lady Beaverbrook), 4-7-11 .. M. L. Thomas (9-2) 1
Flying Empress, M. Rimmer (15-2) 2
Topbird, .. W. Carson (7-4 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-4 Spanish Armada, 10-1 Prousto (4th), 13-1 Seamark. 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 32p; places, 16p, 21p; dual forecast, £1.09. M. Jarvis, Newmarket. 3min 43.84sec. 8l, 7l.

2.30 (2.32) ELLESMERE STAKES (2-y-o: £1,175: 7f)
A.M. Lover, gr f by Caliban—Addis Ababa (A. Clogg), 8-8 .. G. Baxter (11-10 fav) 1
Strait September, P. Eddery (9-2) 2
Sylvan Gold, .. G. Duffield (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 100-30 Blaislock, 8-1 Bolshie Bill, 25-1 Lore-N-Order, 50-1 Tollers Rose (4th). 7 ran.
TOTE: Win, 20p; places, 12p, 20p; dual forecast, 40p P. Cole, Lambourn. 1min 30.63sec. ½l, 2l.
Winner was bought in for 3,900 gns.

3.05 (3.7) WILLIAM HILL JULY CUP (Group 1: £23,225: 6f)
Solinus, b c, by Comedy Star—Cawston's Pride (D. Schwartz), 3-8-11 .. L. Piggott (4-7) 1
Sanedtki .... A. Lequeux (13-1) 2
Double Form .. W. Carson (15-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Persian Bold (4th), 11-1 Absalom, 33-1 Pas de Deux, Skyliner, 50-1 Haveroid, John de Coombe, Loving Him, Molfida, Private Line, Vilgora, 200-1 Swing Alone. 14 ran.
TOTE: Win, 14p; places, 11p, 71p, 51p; dual forecast, 87p: M. V. O'Brien, Ireland. 1min 11.87sec. Nk, 2½l.

3.35 (3.37) HARE PARK HANDICAP (3-y-o: £3,954: 1m)
Evesbov, b c, by Welsh Pageant—St Brigid (G. Harwood), 8-10 .. G. Starkey (11-1) 1
Piekirudis .... K. Darley (4-1) 2
Dromefs .... E. Hide (13-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Rhyme Royal, 9-1 Casino Royale (4th), Beldale Record, 10-1 Caven Mill, 14-1 Saitnitv, 16-1 Colonel Parker, 20-1 Deed of Gift, 25-1 St Jilis, 33-1 Olive Green, Telecommunication. 13 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1.17; places, 37p, 71p, 26p; dual forecast, £3.87. G. Harwood, at Pulborough. ¾l, 4l. 1min 39.57sec.

4.5 (4.7) LIMEKILNS STAKES (2-y-o: £2,068: 7f)
Lyphard's Wish, b c, by Lyphard—Sally's Wish (C. d'Alessio), 9-2 .. J. Mercer (6-11 fav) 1
Le Champ Tatoi E. Johnson (25-1) 2
Kimbolton .... H. White (11-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-2 Cranbourne Tower, 13-1 Show of Hands (4th), Kassamoto, 33-1 Torres Vedras. 7 ran.
TOTE: Win, 15p; places, 11p, 86p; dual forecast, £1.97. H. Cecil, at Newmarket. 6l, 2½l. 1min 28.55sec.

4.40 (4.41) FULBOURN STAKES (2-y-o maiden c and g: £2,761: 6f)
The Nail, b c, by Welsh Saint—Wood Glade (Mrs J. Spencer), 9-0 .... G. Duffield (8-1) 1
Pit Your Wits .. E. Johnson (16-1) 2
Rastino .... H. White (50-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 13-8 fav Borzoi, 9-4 Gregorian, 11-1 Hodson Hero, 14-1 Spithead Review (4th), 16-1 Hot Prince, 33-1 Birch Grove, China Station, Dakar, King Rama, 50-1 After Tomorrow, Amorsham, Blue For You, Desert Hawk, Druimfada, Persian Sapphire, Red Gem, Regal Mate, Spring with Pride, Three Shoes, The Sampson Boys, Viking Spirit. 24 ran.
TOTE: Win, 63p; places, 14p, 59p, £1.34; dual forecast, £10.38. H. Thomson Jones, at Newmarket. 2l, 4l. 1 min 14.47sec. Blessed Harmony withdrawn.

5.10 (5.11) SOHAM HANDICAP (£3,410: 5f)
Shuffling, ch g, by St Chad—Shoofly (T. Corby), 7-8-10 .. H. White (20-1) 1
Peranka .... P. Perkins (14-1) 2
Palmvinala .... E. Hide (7-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav Hunter's Isle, 5-1 Hot Bird, 11-2 Penglima, 12-1 Murrmatch (4th), 14-1 Skin Deep, 30-1 Brave Prince, My Eagle. 10 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1.09; places, 23p, 39p, 21p; dual forecast, £17.16. W. Hastings-Bass, at Newmarket. ¾l, 2l. 1min.
TOTE DOUBLE: Solinus, Lyphard's Wish, £2.30. TREBLE: A. M. Lover, Evesbov, The Nail, £84.60. Double dual forecast, £50.00. Jackpot: £56.46. Placepot: £9 35.

Kempton Park

2.15 (2.17) WREN STAKES (2-y-o: 5f: £1,255)
Go Total, br c, by Philip of Spain—Lazy Time (Hendon Central Garage) 9-3 .... A. Bond (1-2) 1
Superb Lady, K. Leason (100-30) 2
Chinese King Fu, B. Rouse (50-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Mr Minstrel (4th), 50-1 Balvima. 5 ran.
TOTE: Win, 15p; dual forecast, 12p. 2½l, hd. 1min 00.59sec. R. Boss, at Newmarket.

2.45 (2.47) SHEPPERTON HANDICAP (1¼m: £1,601)
Merry Musketeer, ch c, by Jimmy Reppin—Ranjita (Mrs S. Riback) 4-8-7 .... B. Rouse (2-1) 1
Hampshire .... J. Reid (evens) 2
Gentleman at Arms .. P. Robinson (7-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 13-1 Quaranta (4th), Perucio, 16-1 Quillan, 25-1 Tudor Twynkell. 7 ran.
TOTE: Win, 39p; places, 22p, 13p; dual forecast, 17p. Sh hd, 15l. 2min 02.82sec. M. Jarvis, at Newmarket.

3.15 (3.19) PRINCESS HANDICAP (6f: £1,758)
Soft Pedal, br f, by Hotfoot—Silent Anne (G. Pooley) 4-8-2 .. S. Eccles (9-2) 1
Doctor Wall .. S. Raymont (6-1) 2
St Terramar .. R. Fox (3-1 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-1 Royal Diver, 15-2 Zipperdi-Doo-Dah, 11-1 Endless Echo, 12-1 Codebreaker (4th), Model Soldier, 16-1 Jimmy the Singer, The Verger, 25-1 White Wonder. 11 ran.
TOTE: Win, 65p; places, 33p, 14p, 17p; dual forecast, £1.99. Nk 2l. 1min 12.79sec. P. Cole, at Lambourn.

3.45 (3.48) MORTLAKE HANDICAP (7f: £1,654)
Burma Pink, gr g, by Gulf Pearl—Magna (M. Perulicos) 5-9-6 .. B. Rouse (4-1) 1
Aston Firs R. Curant (5-1) 2
Vronal H. Ballantine (3-1 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 8-1 Ghmri (4th), Boundless, 11-1 Churchillian, Choo-Chop, 12-1 Orient Boy, 16-1 Farcroft, 20-1 Firetail. 10 ran.
TOTE: Win, 31p; places, 16p, 13p, 15p; dual forecast, 73p. 3l, ½l. 1min 28.87sec. G. Harwood at Pulborough.

4.15 (4.18) ST JAMES'S STAKES (3-y-o: 1¼m: £1,475)
Karkerian b c, by Vaguely Noble—Sadie F (C St George) 8-11 .. B. Taylor (11-8 fav) 1
Close Secret S. Eccles (6-1) 2
Monkey Corners P. Waldron (5-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 8-1 Double Hyperion (4th), North West, Rheinbloom, 16-1 Marandis, 20-1 Conation, 25-1 Mul Linda, 33-1 Limit Up, Little Blake, Mineral Rights, Shela, Trojan's Centenary, Waltzing. 15 ran.
TOTE: Win: 36p; places, 11p, 27p, 56p; dual forecast, £1.76. Nk, nk. 2min 37.84sec. H. Price, at Findon.

4.45 (4.49) KEMPTON STAKES (2-y-o: 5f, £1,377)
Bolshevik, b c, by Bold Lad—Melon Flower (T. Sasse) 8-5 .. J. Reid (13-1) 1
Roebuck Plains R. Fox (11-8 fav) 2
Our Denise J. Blanks (9-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Magic Kit (4th), 6-1 Dorlay, 10-1 Shiny Willow, Winsor Boy, 14-1 Faisan d'Or, 20-1 Scarcity, Seafarer, 25-1 Game Sheila, Kiahora, Galligaskins, Utley Oak, Haskala. 15 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1; places, 32p, 13p, 34p; dual forecast, £1.40. 2l, 4l. 1min 14.11sec. D. Sasse, at Upper Lambourn. Pepita and Sechs Glocken did not run.
TOTE DOUBLE: Soft Pedal, Karkerian, £33.05. TREBLE: Merry Musketeer, Burma Pink, Bolshevik, £100.50.

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2.15 ALDBOURNE STAKES (3-y-o: £1,… …)

2 0-00 Atrobes, G. P.-Gordon, 9-0 .... E. Eldin 5
3 00-0 Avon Salmon, W. Wightman, 9-0 .... M. L. Thomas 11
4 30-00 Charles, J. Bethell, 9-0 .... J. Reid 4
7 0300-03 Coldoration, R. Akehurst, 9-0 .... R. Curant 17
8 0-40200 Luz Bay, T. Gosling, 9-0 .... — 18
11 00 Pontarosa, P. Cundell, 9-0 .... — 19
12 03023-0 Smackover, I. Walker, 9-0 .... P. Eddery 13
13 022-03 Smartset, J. Winter, 9-0 .... B. Taylor 12
16 Two Coppers, L. Kennard, 9-0 .... A. Cousins 6
17 0-00 Balacco, S. Woodman, 8-11 .... — 16
18 0- Belle-Alliance, H. Cecil, 8-11 .... J. Mercer 10
19 0-04 Calling Low, N. Vigors, 8-11 .... P. Cook 15
21 0000- Csardas, D. Sasse, 8-11 .... B. Rouse 14
22 202-00 Daring Lass, W. Hern, 8-11 .... W. Carson 2
24 00 March Epic, T. Hallett, 8-11 .... G. Baxter 1
25 0u-00 Market Belle, H. Collingridge, 8-11 .... G. Sexton 9
26 04- Native Spring, L. Cumani, 8-11 .... G. Starkey 8
27 0- Princess Pompadour, M. Mason, 8-11 .... A. Bond 3
28 2-00 Repercussion, R. Hannon, 8-11 .... — 7

7-2 Smackover, 4-1 Smartset, 9-2 Charles, 11-2 Calling Low, 6-1 Daring Lass, 8-1 Luz Bay, 10-1 Native Spring, 14-1 others.

2.45 ECCHINSWELL STAKES (Div I: 2-y-o: £1,145: 6f)

201 Abbotsbury, G. Peter-Hoblyn, 9-0 .... J. Reid 3
203 Armistice Day, J. Tree, 9-0 .... R. S. Elliott 1
205 00 Amorial, P. Makin, 9-0 .... M. L. Thomas 6
207 Bolt Action, M. Salaman, 9-0 .... A. Cousins 13
209 Cavokay, J. Sutcliffe, 9-0 .... B. Rouse 11
210 0 Farringdon Bell, J. Dunlop, 9-0 .... — 14
215 0 King of Spain, P. Cundell, 9-0 .... P. Cook 10
218 0 Mount Abora, B. Swift, 9-0 .... G. Ramshaw 5
221 00 Press the Button, G. P.-Gordon, 9-0 .... E. Eldin 15
223 Rogairio, B. Hills, 9-0 .... R. Street 9
225 0 Saint Geran, G. Hunter, 9-0 .... — 12
230 0u0 The Mo, K. Ivory, 9-0 .... — 3
233 0 Torbay Express, Mrs R. Lomax, 9-0 .... — 8
236 Jane the Joker, P. Cole, 8-11 .... G. Baxter 4
239 Lune de Miel, J. Dunlop, 8-11 .... F. Morby 7

100-30 Press the Button, 4-1 Farringdon Bell, 9-2 Cavokay, 6-1 Torbay Express, 8-1 King of Spain, 10-1 Jane the Joker, Rogairio, 12-1 Mount Abora, 16-1 others.

3.15 RIDGEWAY HANDICAP (3-y-o fillies: £2,110: 1m 2f)

301 404210 Swiss Maid (CD), P. Kelleway, 9-4 .... G. Starkey 6
302 22111d Water Frolic, H. Cecil, 8-8 .... J. Mercer 7
305 410 Martingale, P. Walwyn, 8-6 .... P. Eddery 2
304 1-310 Alma, W. Hern, 8-4 .... W. Carson 4
306 10-0300 Kadsai, R. Houghton, 8-1 .... J. Reid 8
308 041-300 Parrot Fashion, R. Akehurst, 7-12 .... R. Curant 1
309 030030 Lady Abernant, E. Reavey, 7-8 .... R. Street 3
314 0-404 Strike on the Box, H. Blagrave, 7-1 .... C. Leonard 5

5-4 Water Frolic, 7-2 Swiss Maid, 4-1 Alma, 11-2 Martingale, 10-1 Strike on the Box, 12-1 others.

3.45 HACKWOOD STAKES (£2,628: 6f)

401 443-000 Briarvanter (D), M. Masson, 7-9-4 .... A. Bond 5
407 0440-20 Ida, R. McCormick, 4-9-1 .... W. Carson 4
408 110200 Hagalett, N. Vigors, 3-8-9 .... P. Cook 1
409 001104 King Alfred (CD), W. Wightman, 3-8-9 .... G. Baxter 2
411 300403 Middleton Sam (D), R. Hannon, 5-8-9 .... — 3
415 000134 La Rosee, G. Hunter, 3-8-6 .... P. Eddery 6

5-2 King Alfred, 3-1 La Rosee, 7-2 Ida, 5-1 Hagalett, 8-1 Middleton Sam, 12-1 Briarvanter.

4.15 ST CATHERINE'S STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £2,481: 6f)

501 31133 Hughes Next, C. Hill, 9-0 .... G. Baxter 1
503 010 Moon Mirth, R. Akehurst, 8-11 .... W. Carson 3
504 12 Songorella, C. Benstead, 8-11 .... B. Rouse 5
505 10 Tudor Maid, J. Winter, 8-11 .... B. Taylor 4
506 21 Pro Patria, P. Walwyn, 8-8 .... P. Eddery 2

13-8 Hughes Next, 11-4 Songorella, 9-2 Tudor Maid, 5-1 Pro Patria, 8-1 Moon Mirth.

4.45 WHITE HORSE HANDICAP (£1,710: 2m)

605 0p-2341 Ladbrokes Leisure, D. Kent, 4-8-10 .... R. Muddle 5 3
608 0000-44 Black Sabbath, M. Francis, 5-8-3 .... S. Raymond 5 1
610 14-0040 Grand Blanc, C. Bewicke, 3-8-2 .... G. Baxter 4
611 001- Rough River, T. Hallett, 5-8-1 .... A. Bond 5
612 324412 Hill Station (D), M. Bolton, 6-7-11 .... B. Rouse 2
614 03-0000 World Crisis, J. Dunlop, 4-7-7 .... R. Street 6

13-8 Ladbrokes Leisure, 9-4 Hill Station, 9-2 Black Sabbath, 6-1 Grand Blanc, 13-1 World Crisis, 14-1 Rough River.

5.15 ECCHINSWELL STAKES (Div II: 2-y-o: £1,138: 6f)

4 Bally Task, Mrs A. Finch, 9-0 .... F. Morby 15
8 2 Carrot Patch, J. Tree, 9-0 .... J. Mercer 7
11 Funny Sunday, A. Johnson, 9-0 .... T. Rogers 5
13 Glitter Star, J. Sutcliffe, 9-0 .... B. Rouse 1
14 Grid, G. Peter-Hoblyn, 9-0 .... — 11
16 0 Les Ashurst, G. Hunter, 9-0 .... — 6
17 Lord Scrap, B. Swift, 9-0 .... G. Ramshaw 10
19 0 Natterville, M. Smyly, 9-0 .... R. Curant 3
22 4 Regal Jim, N. Gaselee, 9-0 .... G. Baxter 2
28 Super Jack, B. Swift, 9-0 .... M. L. Thomas 12
30 04 The Chazan, R. Smyth, 9-0 .... B. Taylor 13
32 The Stirrer, C. Nelson, 9-0 .... — 14
34 3 Young Generation, G. Harwood, 9-0 .... G. Starkey 9
38 Loli, J. Dunlop, 8-11 .... — 8
40 00 Rock Speedwell, W. R. Williams, 8-11 .... R. Street 4

11-8 Regal Jim, 7-2 The Chazan, 4-1 Carrot Patch, 13-2 Young Generation, 8-1 Loli, 12-1 others.

Newbury selections

By Our Racing Correspondent

2.15 Calling Low. 2.45 Cavokay. 3.15 WATER FROLIC is specially recommended. 3.45 La Rosee. 4.15 Hughes Next. 4.45 Hill Station. 5.15 Carrot Patch.

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2.15 Smartset. 2.45 Press the Button. 3.15 Water Frolic. 4.15 Tudor Maid.

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6.30 WATERGATE HANDICAP (Apprentices: £904: 7f 122yd)

1 2134-03 Fairy Fisherman (B), J. Hindley, 4-9-12 .... G. Jones 5 9
2 110104 River Petterill, K. Tuer, 5-8-13 .... N. Troop 8
3 000-042 Splendid Again, Mrs J. Pitman, 5-8-5 .... P. D'Arcy 10
4 0002-10 Eve, T. Molony, 6-8-3 .... S. Parr 7 7
7 21- Miss Diane, J. Bradley, 4-8-1 .... A. Cartwright 1
8 400400 Track Belle, R. Mason, 4-7-13 .... — 4
10 0-14000 Llanymynech, A. Johnson, 5-7-7 .... K. Pinnington 2
11 10-00 Love Me Two, M. Camacho, 4-7-7 .... A. Nesbitt 3
14 03 Delarum, L. Barratt, 6-7-7 .... P. Bloomfield 5
15 03-0040 Miss Liqueur, P. Arthur, 5-7-7 .... C. Ollivier 6
16 000000 Just Tempest (B), L. Docker, 5-7-7 .... P. Shrimpton 11

5-2 Splendid Again, 9-2 Eve, 5-1 River Petterill, 6-1 Fairy Fisherman, 8-1 Llanymynech, 10-1 Delarum, 12-1 Love Me Two, Miss Liqueur, 16-1 others.

6.55 ALICE HAWTHORN STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £1,080: 5f)

1 0 Boxberger Bloem, M. Ryan, 4-11 .... — 1
3 030 Boxberger Queen, M. Ryan, 8-11 .... P. Cook 8
7 02 Holly Burton, T. Molony, 8-11 .... M. Wigham 3 3
8 000 Love Unspoken (B), R. Lo s, 8-11 .... B. Raymond 9
9 00003 Meggies, D. Marks, 8-11 .... J. Lynch 2
13 0 Regon Clipper, P. Arthur, 8-11 .... C. Williams 5
14 Ring Lady, B. Hills, 8-11 .... E. Johnson 6
15 2 Safety Curtain, W. Hern, 8-11 .... W. Carson 7
16 004400 Sandycroft, R. Hollinshead, 8-11 .... T. Ives 4

4-6 Safety Curtain, 4-1 Ring Lady, 8-1 Holly Burton, 10-1 Boxberger Queen, 12-1 Sandycroft, 16-1 others.

7.20 GRENADIER HANDICAP (£1,592: 1¼m 65yd)

1 041013 Prince of Pleasure (C,D), N. Callaghan, 5-9-7 .... P. Eddery 3
3 42-1030 Wanlockhead, D. Sasse, 7-8-11 .... P. D'Arcy 7 8
4 00-0403 Calicourt (C), R. Murphy, 4-8-8 .... J. Lynch 1
5 120043 Gold Claim, M. Salaman, 6-8-7 .... A. Cousins 7
6 3-22313 Swanlinbar (B), R. Houghton, 3-8-4 .... W. Carson 6
7 302-000 Swing Through, D. Marks, 5-8-3 .... J. Reid 5
8 30-0400 Mortar (B), C. Crossley, 4-7-12 .... P. Cook 2
10 100-300 Skyline Drive, J. Bethell, 4-7-7 .... R. Fox 4

5-2 Swanlinbar, 7-2 Prince of Pleasure, 9-2 Gold Claim, 6-1 Calicourt, 8-1 Wanlockhead, 12-1 Skyline Drive, 16-1 Mortar, Swing Through.

7.50 CARDINAL PUFF STAKES (2-y-o: £1,278: 7f)

1 11 Effect, N. Callaghan, 9-5 .... P. Eddery 3
3 001 Rabha (D), J. Hardy, 9-0 .... P. Cook 5
6 4 First Vote, Denys Smith, 8-11 .... W. Carson 4
10 000 My Natalie, D. Marks, 8-11 .... J. Reid 2
11 334 Salona, B. Hills, 8-8 .... E. Johnson 1
12 00 Tree Tops, R. Hollinshead, 8-8 .... K. Darley 5 6

4-5 Effect, 3-1 First Vote, 6-1 Rabha, 8-1 Salona, 20-1 My Natalie, Tree Tops.

8.20 RED DEER HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,749: 5f)

1 101-201 Chain Lady (D), J. Hardy, 9-7 .... P. Cook 7
3 1-00033 Puza (D), J. Hindley, 8-11 .... W. Carson 4
4 00-2011 Hazard Chase (D), N. Callaghan, 8-8 .... P. Eddery 2
10 123-00 Mal Pussy (B,D), B. Hanbury, 7-10 .... J. Lynch 6
11 042-000 Miss Kensington (D), Doug Smith, 7-9 .... M. Roberts 6
12 010f-0 Kuwaiti (CD), R. Houghton, 7-8 .... K. Darley 5 3
15 4-04000 Star Kid (D), V. Mitchell, 7-2 .... — 1

2-1 Puza, 3-1 Hazard Chase, 4-1 Chain Lady, 8-1 Kuwaiti, Miss Kensington, 12-1 Mal Pussy, 20-1 Star Kid.

8.50 HENRY GEE STAKES (3-y-o maidens: £1,080: 1¼m 85yd)

2 022340 Gipsy Prince, R. Hollinshead, 9-0 .... T. Ives 10
5 20-3004 Graf Metternich (B), C. Brittain, 9-0 .... E. Hide 8
6 303432 Larryr (B), N. Callaghan, 9-0 .... P. Eddery 3
7 40003 Surprising Prince, B. Hanbury, 9-0 .... P. Cook 7
8 0-000 Toys Reef (B), M. Jarvis, 9-0 .... B. Raymond 9
9 000 Blea Tarn, J. Berry, 8-11 .... E. Johnson 5
12 00-0040 Foudre (B), R. Houghton, 8-11 .... J. Reid 2
13 Hardigoddess, B. Cambidge, 8-11 .... — 4
14 34322-0 Lilah Helen, R. Hollinshead, 8-11 .... M. Wigham 3 1
15 00-00 Prime Venture, J. Bethell, 8-11 .... W. Carson 6

3-1 Larryr, 7-2 Graf Metternich, 4-1 Foudre, 6-1 Surprising Prince, 8-1 Toys Reef, 10-1 Prime Venture, 12-1 Gipsy Prince, 16-1 others.

Chester selections

By Our Racing Staff

6.30 Splendid Again. 6.55 Ring Lady. 7.20 Calicourt. 7.50 Effect. 8.20 PUZA is specially recommended. 8.50 Graf Metternich.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

6.30 Fairy Fisherman. 6.55, Love Unspoken. 7.20 Prince of Pleasure. 7.50 Effect. 8.20 Puza. 8.50 Toys Reef.

SPORT

Motor racing

A change of gear from 'wing' to mudguard at world's race of year

By John Blunsden

Between now and 3.0 on Sunday afternoon, when the thirty-first British Grand Prix gets under way, 110,000 people are expected to converge on Brands Hatch for what could well prove to be the hardest-fought race in the 1978 world championship season.

Sponsored by John Player, who also support Team Lotus and their championship - leading drivers, Mario Andretti and Ronnie Peterson, the race will take place over 76 laps of what is considered to be one of the few remaining grand prix tracks to offer a solid challenge to drivers. Like the Nürburgring and pa-Francorchamps of the recent past (both of which, incidentally, are now undergoing reconstruction), Brands Hatch is a circuit on which extreme driver talents can shine through, and it is no coincidence that all but two of the seven British Grand Prix races held at Brands Hatch have been won by world champions. The only exceptions were the 1968 and 1974 events, won by the late Jo Siffert and Jody Scheckter respectively—both of them drivers of exceptional ability.

When practice begins this morning 30 drivers, plus two reserves, will be competing for a place on the 26-car starting grid, including the full complement of works entries. These include the regular two-car teams from Brabham (Lauda and Watson), Tyrrell (Depailler and Pironi), Lotus (Andretti and Peterson), McLaren (Hunt and Tambay, plus a third car for Giacomelli), ATS (Mass and Jarier), Ferrari (Reutemann and Villeneuve), Shadow (Stuck and Regazzoni), Surtees (Keegan and Brambilla) and Arrows (Patrese and Stommelen), plus single-car entries from Copersucar (Fittipaldi), Renault (Jabouille), Wolf (Scheckter), Ensign (Daly), Ligier (Laffite) and Williams (Jones).

The independent drivers making up the list this time include formula three graduate Geoffrey Lees, hoping to make his grand prix debut in an Ensign, Hector Rebaque in his former works Lotus 78, Brett Lunger in his McLaren M26, Tony Trimmer in a McLaren M23, and Arturo Merzario in the car which carries his own name. The works Martini of Rene Arnoux and the Theodore Wolf of Keke Rosberg are the two reserves.

Much smoother than it used to be, the undulating circuit nevertheless still calls for meticulous chassis tuning, with the emphasis on good traction through and out of the medium-speed corners, notably the long sweeping left-hander behind the paddock. The new breed of "ground effect" and "wing" cars should show to advantage in this environment, and with three 1-2 victories behind them, the JPS Lotus-Fords must be in with an excellent chance.

Their main opposition could come from the Brabham-Alfas, whose combination of top-end power and low-speed torque should prove formidable. Ferrari also have an excellent Brands Hatch tradition, although they will have had to overcome their tyre difficulties during the past 10 days if they are to sustain their challenge. Of the other Ford-powered runners, the McLaren M26 is back in contention again, while the new Wolf WR5 should put Scheckter somewhere near the front. This ultra-fit driver certainly has the stamina to maintain the pressure for 76 gruelling laps.

As usual, the 198-mile grand prix will be well supported by subsidiary races. There will be rounds of the BP formula three championship on Saturday, and the Tricentrol British saloon car championship on Sunday, both over 20 laps, and this year's traditional Escort celebrity race on Sunday morning will be between representatives of 12 of the grand prix teams. They include Jack Brabham (on a visit from Australia), Stirling Moss, John Surtees and Colin Chapman—four of the fastest men of the early 1960s to remind us of the days when motor racing was such a lot of fun, tyres were six inches wide, and a wing was a stylist's word for a mudguard.

Yachting

Borsalino Trois stays out and loses lead

By John Nicholls

For the second day in succession, there was little wind for boats taking part in the Inshore races for the Edward Heath and President's trophies at Cowes yesterday. However, the sun did eventually shine through the mist, which was an improvement on Wednesday, and the breeze was slightly more consistent. One short round was completed, in about three hours, and the French yacht, Continent (Guy Cousin) finished first of the combined classes for the second day running.

Organized jointly by the Royal Ocean Racing Club and the Junior Offshore Group, the two series are providing races for a fluctuating number of ocean racers that would otherwise be killing time between two offshore events. Yesterday's races were interesting to watch, though for many of the competitors they must have been frustrating. The fun began at the start, when eight of the 10 starters in classes three and four were early across the line, and were recalled. Seven of them came back and started again. The other, Nadia (J. Jore Christen), blissfully sailed away and was later punished with a time penalty.

Ten minutes later, the smaller boats in classes five to eight went through the same motions of starting, which involved being carried across the line by the tide, at the right time. Again, there was a recall, this time for three boats, two of which came back. The third, sailed by one of the many competing Frenchmen, led the fleet away to their first mark. This boat was not even entered for the race, so possibly her skipper thought he did not count (technically, he did not). Luckily this boat did not finish among the leaders, otherwise she would have been a nuisance.

The first leg was uneventful, apart from a few protests for port and starboard incidents, and in due course, the fleet arrived back at Cowes on their way to the final turning mark off Gurnard. At this point the tide gathered pace, and there were many place changes between boats that stayed out in the stream, and those that crept along the shore to avoid it. Borsalino Trois (George Skelley) stayed out and lost a valuable lead in her class, while Fiskery (Terence Browrigg) gained handsomely among the smaller boats by going in closer than any other.

She overdid it slightly, and bumped against something (probably a rock), but it slowed her only momentarily. For most boats the race began again at the mark, where they came together, held back by the tide. Finally, a puff of wind brought about 20 boats up to the mark at the same time and many were the cries for water and other things, as they struggled to get clear without hitting each other or the mark. Red Hot Granny (R. Swain) was closely followed by Borsalino Trois and Fiskery.

EDWARD HEATH TROPHY (Classes 3 and 4): 1, Borsalino Trois (G. Skelley, Channel Islands); 2, Mimeuge (J. Merlivat, France); 3, Ordalie (Y. Bodin, France). Other Channel Islands team places: 6, Cyclone (D. Boyer); 8, Karena (C. Journeaux).

PRESIDENT'S TROPHY (Classes 5 to 8; subject to protest): 1, Fiskery (T. Browrigg); 2, Helmdal (Madame Joos, France); 3, Continent (G. Cousin, France).

Horse show

Robert Smith shares title

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

Robert Smith, who is 17, became the youngest winner of the Midland Bank Cock o' the North championship at the Great Yorkshire Show at Harrogate yesterday when he divided the title with another of Yorkshire's sons, John Whitaker, on Ryan's Son. They had identical times of 47.1 sec.

Maurice Wilson's outstanding two-year-old heavyweight, Wentbridge, by Ascertain, champion led hunter here on Wednesday, earned his ticket to Wembley when Mr Frank Furness awarded him the Lloyds Bank in-hand championship qualifier at the expense of Mrs Manfield's two-year-old pony filly, Trellach Giselle.

COCK O' THE NORTH CHAMPIONSHIP: Equal 1, R. Smith's Sanyo Video and J. Whitaker's Ryan's Son; 3, J. Brown's Tangier Angus.

Racing

Nobloys should swan off with the Black Duck

By Michael Seely

With the sudden arrival of this overdue summer the likely candidates for next season's classics are starting to show their paces. Pieces of the jigsaw began to fall into place at the July meeting. And at York this afternoon Barry Hills can further help to solve the puzzle when Nobloys, his impressive Salisbury winner, runs in the Black Duck stakes. He was bought at the Deauville select sales for £36,000 on behalf of Danny Schwartz, Solinus's owner.

At Salisbury the Sir Gaylord colt quickened in fine style to catch Troy in the last furlong and win going away by a length. Troy endorsed this form when beating Jeremy Hindley's highly thought of newcomer, Warmington, at Newmarket on Tuesday.

Nobloy's mettle will be tested this afternoon by Touch Boy, the tough and speedy two-year-old whom Dick Peacock has saddled to take three of his four races. The Touch Paper colt showed plenty of fight when accounting for the Wilkinson Memorial Stakes winner, Proper Madam at Thirsk. Kingsbere has lost his early season form. Clive Brittain's Foveros showed promise when sixth to his stable companion, Rheinford, at Great Yarmouth. Hills stated with some confidence at Salisbury: "Make no mistake. This is a classic colt in the making." Nobloys cannot be opposed.

The day's feature race, the £6,000 Tilcon Trophy, could well see a repeat of that dramatic climax to the Gosforth Park Cup at Newcastle in which Whenby came storming through to beat Epsom Imp by one length and a half. Michael Easterby's four-year-old was well backed that afternoon and has already been supported in the ante-post market to win the Stewards Cup at Goodwood. With that capable apprentice, Walter Wharton, claiming 5lb allowance Whenby will be meeting his Newcastle victim on the same terms today. Epsom Imp is bound to make a closer fight of it as at Newcastle he was out on his own on the far side of the course in the last furlong while Whenby had the spur of competition on the stands rails. That quick starting three-year-old, Flying Tyke, will be better suited by this afternoon's five furlongs than by the six over which he finished fourth to Emperor's Shadow in the William Hill Trophy on this course in June. Whenby is clearly on the upgrade and is the selection.

The other two-year-old race, the Philip Cornes Nickel Alloys Stakes, may fall to John Sutcliffe's Tender Heart who finished runner-up to Tribal Warrior in the Star Stakes at Sandown Park. Tribal Warrior won with more in hand than the official margin of a neck suggests but Tender Heart is an improving colt. Bushwhacker also showed promise when chasing home Potemkin at Newcastle. Hard Frost is a strong fancy from Newmarket and Bill Elsey's Northfields filly, North Page, shaped like a future winner when third to Nocturnal Boy at Leicester. Tender Heart still gets the vote.

At Chester the best bet should be Hindley's sprinter, Puza, in the five-furlong Red Deer Stakes. Puza was a shade unlucky not to win the Gosforth Cup after he stumbled leaving the stalls. He came home like a rocket in the closing stages to finish only a short head behind Epsom Imp. Granted a level break tonight Puza is a confident selection to beat Hazard Chase and Chain Lady. Other likely winners at Chester are Effect, who can complete a treble of victories in the Cardinal Puff Stakes, Splendid Again, in the Watergate Apprentice's Handicap, and the dual course winner, Calicourt, who should get the better of that other track specialist, Prince of Pleasure, in the Grenadier Handicap.

Rouse completes double at Kempton Park

Brian Rouse completed a 14-1 double on Merry Muskateer and Burma Pink at Kempton Park yesterday.

This good Epsom-based jockey showed his intelligence on Merry Muskateer in the Shepperton Handicap. Told that the colt needed plenty of daylight, he decided to swing right across the track entering the straight and came up on the stands side.

The hot favourite Hampshire went with him and the two had to race all to themselves in a desperate finish. In fact, Rouse thought he was beaten on the line and John Reid took Hampshire into the winner's circle, but the verdict went the other way by a short head.

Burma Pink, who completed the Rouse double, made light of 9st 6lb in the Mortlake Handicap, racing three lengths clear in the last quarter mile.

Gelded last year, Burma Pink took some time to get over it, but now seems to be coming good. His trainer, Guy Harwood, also scored at Newmarket with Evesboy, his second double in two days.

Paul Cole also landed a Newmarket-Kempton double. Successful at Newmarket with A. M. Lover, Cole sent Soft Pedal here to win the Princess Handicap, a race he took 12 months ago with Dame Clara.

Soft Pedal got worked up in the Wokingham at Royal Ascot where she was second of the 24 runners to be put in the stalls and had to wait for four minutes.

So this time she went in late, did not have to hang about, and kept perfectly cool. Racing up with the pace all the way, she hit the front about two furlongs out and battled on gamely to hold off the strong challenge of Doctor Wall by a neck.

The two principals could meet again in the Goodwood Stewards Cup but they also could meet Balidon who beat Soft Pedal readily enough at Brighton last week.

Midshipman may run his rivals into the ground

From Desmond Stoneham
French Racing Correspondent
Paris, July 13

The French population is on holiday tomorrow to celebrate the 1789 storming of the Bastille prison. A large crowd is expected at Saint-Cloud and the feature event on the card will be the Group Two Prix Maurice de Nieuil which I expect to be won by Midshipman from Turville, Fabuleux Jane, and Hawkberry.

Alec Head hasn't raced Midshipman since the Prix du Cadran at Longchamp on May 21. The colt did not stay the two and a half miles and finished unplaced in that event, but did, in April, take the shorter Prix Jean Prat from Hawkberry and the now exported Amyntor. Midshipman is likely to make all the running and the four year old's connexions are confident that he will gallop his opponents into the ground.

The three-year-old Turville also has excellent prospects. He was third behind Acamas, who has his final workout before travelling to England on Saturday morning, at Chantilly racecourse, in both the Prix Lupin and Prix du Jockey Club, and, if one can fault the colt, it must be for a slight lack of acceleration. Fabuleux Jane was a near top class filly last season and has not done so badly during the past months.

PRIX MAURICE DE NIEUIL (Group II: £16,667: 1½m 110yd)
0-30110 Vagaries, 4-9-6 .. P. Paquet
1220-10 Midshipman, 4-9-6 F. Head
012103 Douro, 4-9-2 M. Philipperon
102031 Santalino, 5-9-2 Y. Saint-Martin
1-00413 Biloxi, 4-9-2 .... R. Jallu
00-2233 Hawkberry, 4-9-0 J. P. Lefevre
031-002 Tip Moss, 6-9-0 A. Lequeux
0-02041 Fabuleux Jane, 4-8-13 J. C. Desaint
-11 Riko, 3-8-2 ...... J. Dupin
01-4033 Turville, 3-8-0 .. A. Gibert
7-4 Turville, 7-2 Vagaries, 5-1 Midshipman, 6-1 Fabuleux Jane, 8-1 Hawkberry, 10-1 Santalino, 16-1 Tip Moss, Riko, 25-1 others.

York programme

[Television (IBA): 2.30, 3.0, 3.30, 4.0 races]

2.0 MONKGATE STAKES (£2,595: 1m)
1 0213- Hover (B), W. Hern, 3-9-0 ...... H White 4
6 20-0410 Huaralino (D), G. Hunter, 3-8-11 ...... M. Roberts 1
7 412-200 Julio Mariner (CD), C. Brittain, 3-8-11 ...... E. Hide 5
10 01-000 Tarzan (D), C. Brittain, 3-8-11 ...... — 10
11 101-000 Wahed, H. Price, 3-8-11 ...... — 7
13 1332-00 Nannina, I. Walker, 3-8-8 ...... J. Lynch 6
14 1-40 Plant At Dusk, G. P.-Gordon, 3-8-8 ...... J. Bleasdale 8
17 0224-1 McAdam, I. Rimell, 3-8-7 ...... T. Ives 3
18 424-303 Soldiers Point, I. Balding, 3-8-7 ...... J. Matthias 2
19 44000-0 Saintly Lady, P. Asquith, 3-9-0 ...... S. Perks 9
7-4 Julio Mariner, 4-1 Wahed, 13-2 Soldiers Point, 7-1 Huaralino, 12-1 McAdam, 14-1 Tarzan, 16-1 others.

2.30 BLACK DUCK STAKES (2-y-o: £3,085: 6f)
201 11424 Pinkerton's Man, G. Richards, 9-7 ...... D. Gray 6
202 1121 Touch Boy (D), R. Peacock, 9-7 ...... G. Lewis 1
204 130 Kingsbere (C.D), I. Walker, 9-2 ...... J. Lynch 4
205 1 Nobloys (D), B. Hills, 9-2 ...... E. Johnson 3
208 0 Foveros, C. Brittain, 8-11 ...... E. Hide 2
209 3 Golden Leicester, P. Wigham, 8-11 ...... M. Wigham 3 5
11-10 Nobloys, 4-1 Touch Boy, 11-2 Foveros, 8-1 Pinkerton's Man, 10-1 Golden Leicester, 12-1 Kingsbere.

3.0 PHILIP CORNES NICKEL ALLOYS STAKES (Qualifier: 2-y-o: £3,010: 6f)
301 0003 Arms King, E. Weymes, 9-0 ...... A. Kimberley 5
302 Arrow, C. Thornton, 9-0 ...... O. Gray 9
304 Bold Front, J. W. Watts, 9-0 ...... J. Lowe 2
306 2 Bushwhacker, R. Peacock, 9-0 ...... J. Bleasdale 1
309 Gibbon, M. W. Easterby, 9-0 ...... B. Raymond 8
311 3 Hard Frost, B. Hobbs, 9-0 ...... G. Lewis 1
312 00 Hickory Island, M. W. Easterby, 9-0 ...... C. Moss 6
313 02 Hillability, C. Brittain, 9-0 ...... E. Hide 11
316 400 Quick Tram, G. Peter-Hoblyn, 9-0 ...... — 7
319 02 Tender Heart, J. Sutcliffe, 9-0 ...... L. Piggott 10
321 00 Astral Suite, R. Hollinshead, 8-11 ...... T. Ives 12
324 3 North Page, W. Elsey, 8-11 ...... H. White 3
3-1 Hard Frost, 4-1 Tender Heart, 9-2 Hillability, 6-1 Bushwacker, 13-2 North Page, 12-1 Arms King, 14-1 Bold Front, Gibbon, 16-1 others.

3.30 TILCON TROPHY HANDICAP (£4,467: 5f)
402 20-0122 Epsom Imp (CD), J. Holt, 5-9-11 ...... P. Waldron 2
403 20-3300 Jameson (B,D), N. Adam, 4-9-3 ...... E. Hide 8
409 000-10 Petard (D), W. C. Watts, 4-8-12 ...... H. White 6
410 00-0301 Whenby (B,D), M. W. Easterby, 4-8-11 ...... W. Wharton 4
409 004302 Beethoven (D), G. Richards, 4-8-8 ...... T. Ives 5
411 0-11110 Flying Tyke (D), A. Smith, 3-8-0 ...... B. Henry 7
412 24-0400 Primula Boy (B,D), J. W. Watts, 5-8-0 ...... J. Lowe 1
413 000040 Offa's Mead (D), J. Bradley, 4-7-12 ...... R. Fox 3
4-4 Whenby, 11-4 Epsom Imp, 9-2 Flying Tyke, 6-1 Petard, 7-1 Beethoven, 10-1 Jameson, 14-1 others.

4.0 WALMGATE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,443: 1m 6f)
506 013-204 Nyota, H. Cecil, 8-11 ...... E. Hide 1
508 0-32313 Man of France (CD), J. Dunlop, 8-7 ...... H. White 3
510 01102 Sir Gregor, B. Hanbury, 7-10 ...... M. Wigham 5 2
511 04331 Potshot, E. Weymes, 7-8 ...... J. Lowe 4
13-8 Sir Gregor, 2-1 Nyota, 100-30 Man of France, 9-2 Potshot.

4.30 MARYGATE HANDICAP (£2,443: 1m 1f)
603 030320 Semper Nova (CD), J. Bingham, 5-9-6 ...... C. Moss 1
604 1004 Parent (D), E. Weymes, 5-9-3 ...... E. Hide 4
607 00000 Senator Sam, J. W. Watts, 5-8-4 ...... A. Mercer 7 3
608 4120-34 Pas de Deux, I. Balding, 4-8-3 ...... J. Matthias 2
2-1 Parent, 5-2 Semper Nova, 5-1 Senator Sam, 7-2 Pas de Deux.

York selections

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2.0 Soldiers Point. 2.30 NOBLOYS is specially recommended. 3.0 Tender Heart. 3.30 Whenby. 4.0 Man of France. 4.30 Parent.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.0 Julio Mariner. 2.30 Foveros. 3.0 Hard Frost. 4.0 Sir Gregor.

Hamilton Park programme

6.45 LARKHALL STAKES (2-y-o: £988: 6f)
2 0404 Dismantler (B), S. Norton, 9-0 ...... N. Crowther 5 2
3 Easter Playtime, N. Adam, 9-0 ...... — 10
8 34 Piggy Malone, T. Marshall, 9-0 ...... D. McKay 3
9 2 Pill Packer, P. Haslam, 9-0 ...... B. Jago 1
10 3020 Regal Red, J. Hardy, 9-0 ...... P. Madden 4
11 Sir Michael, A. Jarvis, 9-0 ...... S. Parvis 5 7
13 023332 Angall, S. Wainwright, 8-11 ...... S. Perks 5
14 0 Debbiedamus, K. Turr, 8-11 ...... E. Apter 6
15 32 Double Bloom, M. Prescott, 8-11 ...... G. Duffield 8
17 00 Fine Home, Denys Smith, 8-11 ...... P. Kelleher 9
15-8 Double Bloom, 4-1 Pill Packer, 11-2 Angall, 6-1 Piggy Malone, 8-1 Regal Red, 10-1 Easter Playtime, 12-1 Dismantler, 14-1 others.

7.10 GLASGOW STAKES (3-y-o: £537: 6f)
1 00-0000 Deep Lady, S. Wainwright, 8-11 ...... S. Perks 1
3 000000 Go-Getter, T. Craig, 8-7 ...... K. Leason 3
5 00 Sandmoor, P. Haslam, 8-7 ...... B. Jago 7
7 0-43040 Workshop, C. Nelson, 8-7 ...... — 8
8 00-4000 Boxloot, P. Poston, 8-4 ...... S. Matthews 7 5
10 0040 Guy and Girl, T. Craig, 8-4 ...... A. Mackay 7 2
11 000- Ickforjoy, G. Wallace, 8-4 ...... — 6
13 0-00000 Marushka, A. Jarvis, 8-4 ...... S. Jarvis 5 4
14 0440- Wax Doll, G. Wallace, 8-4 ...... — 9
9-4 Workshop, 7-2 Guy and Girl, 9-2 Sandmoor, 6-1 Deep Lady, 8-1 Wax Doll, 10-1 Go-Getter, 12-1 others.

7.35 HAMILTON CHAMPAGNE HANDICAP (£1,994: 1m 40yd)
1 01100-0 Donzel, B. Richmond, 4-9-7 ...... — 2
3 40-0044 Ramadan (CD), T. Marshall, 5-9-2 ...... D. McKay 3
4 21-0120 Miss Eliza (B,CD), C. Thornton, 4-9-1 ...... J. Bleasdale 2
9 214132 Priestcroft Boy, M. H. Easterby, 5-8-0 ...... M. Birch 4
10 3-00400 Le Dauphin (B), T. Craig, 6-7-7 ...... K. Leason 1
6-4 Priestcroft Boy, 3-1 Miss Eliza, 4-1 Ramadan, 13-2 Donzel, 10-1 Le Dauphin.

8.05 WISHAW HANDICAP (£1,302: 5f)
1 0-02000 Goldhills Pride (D), T. Craig, 4-9-12 ...... A. Mackay 7 5
2 0021 Kalmlaw (D), W. Gray, 4-8-6 ...... E. Apter 1
3 4-00040 My Chopin (B,CD), T. Fairhurst, 7-8-5 ...... A. Mercer 7 4
4 000002 Double Secret (B,D), M. H. Easterby, 5-8-1 ...... M. Birch 2
6 121132 Thorganby (B), R. Hobson, 3-7-7 ...... — 3
10 30-0010 Carnival Sovereign (D), E. Weymes, 11-7-7 ...... S. Webster 6
5-2 Thorganby, 3-1 Kalmlaw, 7-2 Double Secret, 7-1 Carnival Sovereign, 8-1 Goldhills Pride, 10-1 My Chopin.

8.35 CAMBUSLANG HANDICAP (£1,567: 1½m)
2 0200 Take My Hand, J. Hardy, 4-9-7 ...... P. Madden 1
3 000310 Farthing (D), W. Elsey, 4-9-5 ...... J. Lowe 5
4 3140-04 Tudor Mansion (D), I. Walker, 4-9-5 ...... G. Duffield 3
5 0-03200 Abergwiffy, M. Camacho, 6-8-13 ...... G. Eccleston 4
6 00-0004 Homefield (C,D), P. Poston, 10-8-8 ...... S. Webster 2
7-4 Farthing, 3-1 Take My Hand, 7-2 Tudor Mansion, 11-2 Abergwiffy, 12-1 Homefield.

9.05 BOTHWELL STAKES (£1,166: 1m 3f)
1 4-04044 Mesolongi, T. Craig, 4-9-5 ...... K. Leason 2
2 0000-00 Potters Lane, P. Poston, 5-9-5 ...... S. Matthews 7 5
3 3 Velvet Cap II, Denys Smith, 7-9-0 ...... P. Kelleher 6
5 01 Capetown Lion, M. Stoute, 3-8-10 ...... G. Duffield 7
11 000000 Ians Lad, G. Wallace, 3-8-5 ...... — 1
12 04-0042 Morton Prince, A. Jarvis, 3-8-5 ...... S. Jarvis 5 3
17 040- Belcraig, W. Elsey, 3-8-0 ...... J. Lowe 4
18 Fair Dino, N. Adam, 3-8-0 ...... J. Bleasdale 8
8-13 Capetown Lion, 9-2 Morton Prince, 6-1 Velvet Cap II, 10-1 Mesolongi, 12-1 Belcraig, 16-1 others.

Hamilton Park selections

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6.45 Piggy Malone. 7.10 Workshop. 7.35 Priestcroft Boy. 8.5 Goldhills Pride. 8.35 Abergwiffy. 9.5 Capetown Lion.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

6.45 Double Bloom. 8.35 Tudor Mansion. 9.5 Capetown Lion.

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COLISEUM. Credit cards 01-240 5258. Reservations 01-836 3161. Last perfs. NUREYEV FESTIVAL with DUTCH NATIONAL BALLET. Ton't. 7.30. Tomor. 2.30 & 7.30 Schumann Pieces Faun About a Dark House. Nureyev will dance at every performance. Some seats still available.

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GLYNDEBOURNE FESTIVAL OPERA. Until Aug. 7 with the London Philharmonic Orchestra. Tonight, Sun., Tue. & Thur. next at 6.15: La Bohème. Tomor., Mon. & Wed. at 5.30: Così fan tutte. Possible returns only. Box office Glyndebourne Lewes, E. Sussex (0273 812411). N.B. The curtain for Così will rise at 5.30 sharp. There is no possibility of admittance for late comers.

SADLER'S WELLS THEATRE, Rosebery Ave., E.C.1. 837 1672. Until July 22. Evgs. 7.30. Mats. Sat. 2.30. MAGUIRE DANCE THEATRE. Tonight, Tomor., Mat. & Wed. next: Triple Duet from Grotto, Gallery, Suite from Sanctum. Tomor. eve., Tue. & Thur. next: Guignol, Still Figures, Suite from Sanctum. Mon. next: Temples, Guignol, Triad. "Sheer wizardry ... an experience not to be missed." E. News. "Utterly, utterly beautiful." (Triad) Guardian. July 31-Aug. 26 MARCEL MARCEAU.

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AMBASSADORS. 01-836 1171. Nightly at 8.00. Mat. Tues. 2.45. Sat. 5.00 & 8.00. PATRICK CARGILL & TONY ANHOLT in SLEUTH. The World's Famous Thriller by ANTHONY SHAFFER. "Seeing the play again is in fact an utter and total joy."—Punch. Seat prices £2.00 to £4.00. Dinner and Top price Seat £7.50.

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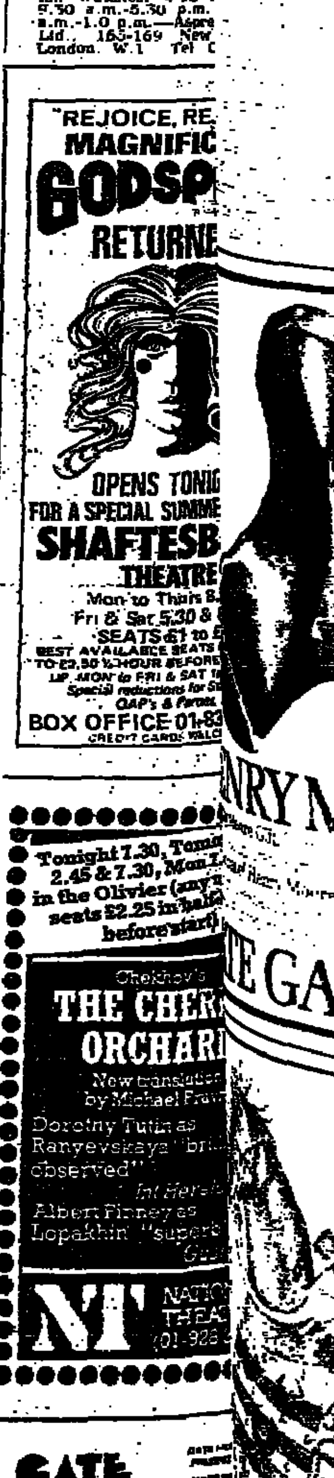
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e Pink Panther series has oved an enormously success- box-office attraction; and it is good news, because the ema needs all the success it n get; and if there is British ent involved, so much the ter. Some of the success is e, undoubtedly, to the dogged alty of the public to those ies of films it takes to his rt. The *Carry On* films, for zance, got worse and worse thout any apparent decline in ir popularity. The *Confes- ns of . . .* series, too, have d their own; though they n hardly be said to have teriorated, since they began rock bottom.

The Pink Panthers rely very avily on an accustomed dience: it must indeed be ite hard for a newcomer, rown *in media res*, to pick the threads. We are required recognize the character and osyncrasies of the bungling spector Clouseau; to remem- r that Superintendent Drey- s confinement in a mad- ose is the direct result of the xiety of being Clouseau's perior; and to be aware of ouseau's special relationship th his lunatic oriental man- vant who is under orders to ep his master on his toes by iously attacking him at all nes and on all occasions.

The comic content of *Revenge the Pink Panther* is peri- ously threadbare. The story is t much more than an ex- nded chase. The gags consist inly of people falling through indows or holes in the floor into water; or setting things u fire; with small refinements ke Clouseau getting his crotch ught in an electric fan.

Peter Sellers is of course a ry skilled comic actor and imic, though he seemed to be orn out by over-use in the rly Sixties. The comedy of his spector Clouseau does not go uch deeper than a funny ice, funny pronunciations and bland, pokerface, unconscious nfident ignorance. A lot of e time he relies heavily on presque disguises (Toulouse- ntrec, drag, cleric, pegleg llor) for his laughs. Gags, aracter and story never lieve the kind of integration at belongs to the best medy; and the best moment the film, where this happy tegration almost takes place, longs to Herbert Lom as spector whose hilarity at read- g the eulogy at the supposed gal of his old bane, Clou- seau, is taken by the congregation to be emotion.

I would feel less confident in insisting that people were once able to manage comedy better than this, if it were not possible to point to an instant example. The National Film Theatre is at present offering a complete retrospective of the films of Will Hay, made between 1934 and 1943, the best of them directed by the French-born Marcel Varnel. They were, even by the standards of the time, modest films; but they have a comic sense and assurance altogether lacking in The Pink Panthers or indeed any other contemporary comedy.

Hay, to start with, had developed a much richer and deeper comic character than Clouseau. He invariably occupies some very shaky position of authority — schoolmaster, colonialist, prison governor, sea captain, station master—and his permanent suspicious scowl acknowledges his certainty that he will inevitably be rumbled. Generally he is supported by the wily and whiskered Moore Marriott, and by Graham Moffatt, direct descendant of Dickens's horrid Fat Boy. The comedy does not come from hectic physical gags, but from the relationship of these three to one another and to the situation and social context in which at any moment comic fate throws them.

Their conversations transcend idiocy to become surreal. The ticket-office window at Bugglesfelly station flies open to emit Marriott's malevolent old face and his cry of "Next train's gone", quintessence of the public servant's joy in imparting disappointment. Marriott, too, is Jimmy the Mole in *Convict 99*, whose 20 years of digging an escape tunnel lead him with predictable error to surface in the Governor's office, there to engage in new Hay variations in circumlocuacity. A reel of *Convict 99* or *Oh Mr Porter* or *Old Bones of the River* is worth all the Panthers, in any comic currency.

Having first discovered, some half century ago, a rich mine of drama in urban crime, the movies discovered a tragic plot in which the ineluctable force that drives the hero's fate is his inescapable criminal past. No matter how honestly he tries to go straight, and despite The Woman who is ready to share his fate, he is doomed by the malevolent suspicions of the honest world, and by the insistence of his criminal acquaintances.

At its best—in Lang's *You Only Live Once* and Ray's *They Live by Night*, for instance—the plot actually has sometimes achieved a tragic dimension. Ulu Grosbard is no Lang; his *Straight Time*, adapted from a novel by Edward Bunker (who plays a small role in the film) and stressing realism in the psychology of the hero and the social situation, turns out rather dismal than actually tragic.

Partly this is inevitable in the casting of Dustin Hoffman, whose carefully studied performances are always more inclined to documentary description than to anything like tragic interpretation. As Max Dembo, freed after a five-year sentence for burglary, he opens his heart to his parole officer, ending his plea for the things he needs to remake his life with ". . . somebody to love me".

The parole officer (the hearty, chilling bonhomie of officialdom nicely caught by M. Emmet Walsh) is as uncaring as the rest of the society in which Max is now adrift; and takes the first opportunity of putting him back in gaol on groundless suspicion of drug use. For the frail-spirited Max it is too much: he breaks parole and embarks on a new career or robbery that can only have one end.

The hero's weakness, seen anyway only at the very furthest end of its tether, is too single in its dimension to provide a solid centre of dramatic interest; and attractive and credible as Theresa Russell is as the girl who blindly commits herself to his fate, their relationship never seems really justified. More interesting and attractive than the central characters, in fact, is the whole context, the picture of a world of criminals of proper bourgeois habits, ordinary economic concerns, and the sincere mutual honour and respect of a nice club.

Thank God It's Friday, directed by Robert Klane, is a good deal more than a day behind *Saturday Night Fever* in its aspirations. It is one of those films insultingly aimed at the kid market, supposing that the younger teenagers (who are kept out of *Saturday Night Fever* by the "X" certificate) have no standards or taste about the mess that is thrown at them so long as it keeps compulsively on the move.

The setting is a Los Angeles disco; a lot of cameo characters in predictable gags and predictable boy/girl relationships and permutations are hectically interspersed between the musical numbers; but the whole assembly is so fragmentary that the music, supposing you might be prepared to enjoy it, counts for no more than the bits in between.

That George Chamchoum's *Lebanon . . . Why?* finds no answer to the question of its title is the essence of that war's tragedy. Again and again he asks it of participants, left and right, Christian and Moslem, rich and poor, victors and victims. Everyone has his reasons and his righteousness; and as all the talk spirals endlessly, the images of death and progressive destruction recorded by Chamchoum in three years of war become a senseless inferno. The images are often remarkable; but it's a defeating object to make a documentary of a subject whose very nature is tragic inconclusion.

Blacks Britannica is nothing if not conclusive in its opinions; but it is a demonstration of the deficiencies of the journalistic method in face of a subject so complex and deep as the sentiments and resentments of the black community in Britain. Here the interviewees plead a clear and unanimous and persuasive case; but it is weakened rather than supported by the highly selective, obvious and even suspect way that familiar library news material is used. The film starts more hares about morality and political method than it can handle in its 50 minutes.

The director, David Koff, is currently doing battle with the American television organization WGBH Educational Foundation, for which the film was made, over their intention to re-edit it. It is not clear on what grounds they base their desire to revise the film.

The National Film Theatre season of Soviet Eccentrics offers two rare rediscoveries this Sunday. Sergei Komarov's *The Kiss of Mary Pickford* (1927) is a treasurable comedy about film fan fever in the Twenties. Mischievously, Komarov uses reportage films of the visit of Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks to the USSR in the Twenties to make them seem to play leading roles in a satire about a man who achieves fame on account of the lipstick implanted on his cheek by Mary Pickford. There is the incidental fascination of actuality scenes of film-making at the period.

Boris Barnet's first film, *Miss Mend*, is an extravagant, action-packed comic-strip adventure—out of Feuillade by Fritz Lang, with a touch of Murnau's *Nosferatu*—which extends to three parts and some four hours.

The jollity and energy of these films are tremendous; and there is a striking delight in everything American (*Miss Mend* even has a Pasadena Jazz Band). For theatre enthusiasts there is the added interest that the leading actor in both films is played by the great comic Igor Ilinsky, close disciple of Meyerhold and his "Bio-Mechanics", who among other famous stage performances created the leading role in Meyerhold's production of Mayakovsky's *The Bed Bug*.

David Robinson



Dustin Hoffman goes on parole

Television

Brass Tacks
BBC 2

Joan Bakewell

Brass Tacks is back and trading on the fact that if television could bring all the parties to a dispute together to talk over their differences then they would hardly ever get agreement but the viewers might at least get a good programme. On Wednesday the subject was gypsies. It did, they did not and we did.

At least to begin with the format was clear: first half, on-the-spot film, second half, studio discussion. The film was a fine piece of work perceptively shot and trimly cut but then so it should be if, as they said, film cameras spent two weeks on one location. Passions certainly run high on Morlston Common, Swansea, where Mrs Locke has had her caravan moved on at midnight so often that she is on tablets for her nerves, where the traditional business of trading in scrap gives the place the look of a rubbish tip and where violently inclined anti-gypsies threaten petrol bombs and hurl abuse "lowest possible type of life", "outsiders to the human race!" In the scapegoating 1970s the gypsies are sitting targets, or rather moving. That is the problem.

Thus the programme's second half which suddenly started to play by first-half rules. The studio discussion was there, but we were back at the locations. There were two, the gypsies in their field, and local councillors in what looked like their local.

The resulting crosstalk not only ran into technical hazards but reeled under conflicting degrees and styles of articulacy: the councillors, defensive, verbose, evasive, never answered directly any questions they were asked. The gypsies, by contrast, hesitant, awkward and bewildered were too modestly brief and never seized the chance to let rhetoric rip. Between them all and us Eric Robson battled to keep control of a collapsing but spirited debate. He must keep his nerve in the coming weeks and fasten his safety belt. It is going to be a bumpy series.

Globe Theatre
BBC 2

Stanley Reynolds

It was amusing to read the small print in the *Radio Times* on Wednesday after reviewing *The Interrogation of Machiavelli* on BBC2's Globe Theatre. After giving a brief description of the plot, which has Machiavelli in a torture chamber on the receiving end of his own theories, the *Radio Times* says: "Machiavelli finds himself outraged by the arbitrariness of a system which might have been invented by himself and which, the playwright suggests, still exists today." There is marvellous English understatement in that, Lida Winiewicz, the playwright suggests. She screams out that the system still exists, and no man living in our world could deny its existence.

What this really powerful play does is wonder just how long we are going to allow it to go on. That was the final simple question, after all the heavy philosophical dialogue between Machiavelli (Hannes Messemer) and his interrogator, Marcello, played by Siegfried Wischnewski. Marcello claimed, although he infringed on morality, he nevertheless believed that man is good. He accused the author of *The Prince* of being heartless, of caring for nothing but success. A bad man in possession of *The Prince* could do incalculable harm. Because of that, after burning the original manuscript, he tortured Machiavelli, demanding to know where the copy of the book was.

Machiavelli merely claimed he possessed unblinking eyes and saw the world for what it is. During the exchanges, conducted while Machiavelli was being put to the question, Lida Winiewicz's point was made that the world has too patiently waited for an end to torture, official violence, and abuse of power.

This West German production, done with one claustrophobic set and full of deep talk, which you had to follow reading the sub-titles, demonstrated how an hour-long television play may be wordy and without visual tricks and still, if the message is intense enough, be riveting.



The tramp meets the Chelsea fans.

Irish Eyes and English Tears
Theatre Upstairs

Irving Wardle

A funny thing happened on the way to the Chelsea match. The gang ran into this Irish tramp playing the mouth organ, so naturally they had a bit of fun with him, not meaning any harm until the dirty old fellow started answering back. That would have been the end of his musical career if one of the boys had not taken a fancy to him, ditched his girl to give him a bed and got him adopted as a kind of gang mascot; it was a good two hours before he killed him.

I am not one for wielding old plays as a truncheon against new ones, but you may have noticed that the events outlined above bear a more than passing resemblance to those of Edward Bond's *The Pope's Wedding*; and in comparison with the Scobie-Alen relationship in Bond's play, Nigel Baldwin cuts little ice with his two partners.

Les, the boy, emerges as a self-pitying fantasist, and Tom the tramp as a former news-agent who hits rock bottom after a bungled *crime passionel*. Neither of them presents an imaginative challenge and apart from the fact that they are two of a kind in the sense that they have nothing to look forward to, it is hard to see what draws them together.

It would be wrong to press the Bond analogy any further as *Irish Eyes* is a product of the jobless 1970s and, if you look at it socially rather than personally, it is about the route to dereliction (with Les, in the final scene, curling up in the tramp's newspaper to sleep rough). It is about kids who have nothing much to live for except sex, booze, and the home team, and who are awakening to find themselves kids no more.

Much the most effective side of the piece are its scenes of brutal knockout by youngsters who are getting a bit long in the tooth, and who occasionally drop their guard with appreciative doubts about the way their lives are going. Much emotional punishment is handed out, invariably swallowed by victims who are scared of being left out in the cold. Mr Baldwin writes really well for women: particularly for the luckless torch-carrying Ronnie, turned 30 and with nothing to show for it except an illegitimate child: and played with a marvellous display of hopeless tenacity by Annie Hayes.

Ian Kellgren's production contains a handful of striking images, such as the tramp's appearance on the Chelsea ground, standing like a craven idol amid the frenzied fans. But, in the point-blank conditions of this theatre, its impact sends you reeling; which partly accounts for the impression that this is a timidly undecided play masquerading under violent surface gestures.

The vacillating sympathies and the chain of fractured incidents are too abrupt to be resolved in performance, although Karl Johnson's Les does present this would-be non-violent destroyer as a character rather than a mere case.

RPO/Groves
Cheltenham Town Hall

Joan Chissell

The Cheltenham Festival is not allowing the 75th birthday year of its old friend and present president, Sir Lennox Berkeley, to go unhonoured. The illuminating exhibition of Berkeley photographs, letters and the like recently seen in London now adorns the walls of the Festival Club. And after renewing acquaintance with his *Antiphon* (1973) at the opening concert, on Wednesday night festivalgoers were introduced to his newest symphony (No. 4) played by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, who commissioned it, under Sir Charles Groves, who conducted the recent London premiere.

Some composers—Stravinsky was one—feel it essential to keep up with changing musical fashion. Berkeley takes the other view. He has discovered his own identity, and remains true to it. This half-hour-long symphony's three movements are more rooted in tradition, more full-bodied in sound and romantic in feeling than most new works heard nowadays in the West. Though not always suggesting the strongest motivation in sustained development, each movement sets out with ideas that at once catch the ear, each is most expressively scored, each has artfully placed and highly significant climaxes, and the two flanking movements have splendidly concise, affirmative homecomings. The central variation movement, on a theme like a rocking lament, is perhaps the most emotionally direct and moving, not least when expanded and intensified near the end over a tolling bass. The performance sounded well rehearsed and well paced, with a sure sense of direction.

The Festival Club exhibition includes a photo of Berkeley enjoying an East Anglian beach picnic, long years ago, with his friend Benjamin Britten, whose *Les Illuminations* proved an excellent starter for this occasion. The soloist, Robert Tear, did some lovely lyrical things in more intimate songs, like the exquisite concluding "Depart". But in general it was a more graphic and dramatic reading than we often hear, with vividness of characterization always given priority over mere elegance. Sir Charles and the orchestra were on the same wavelength.

Mr Tear's responsive imagination could be enjoyed again after the interval in Mahler's *Das Lied von der Erde*. He also found the strength to stand up to Mahler's exuberant orchestration at all times except the climax of the opening "Drinking Song". His partner, Rachel Gettler, had feelings as generous and warm as her voice, but her approach was too overtly operatic, often full out in tone even if the indication was *innig* or *piano*, and insufficiently smooth and steady in line. She should perhaps not sing it again until she has learnt the secrets of *multum in parvo*, and of Mahler's style in particular. The orchestra missed some of the refinements, but response was ardent.

For several years now Cheltenham has made a feature of master classes, inviting an outstanding student from one year's festival to return for a recital at the next. Yesterday at the Pittville Pump Room it was the turn of Noreen Fitzpatrick, selected from Ralph Kirshbaum's 1977 cello class. With Clifford Benson as well-balanced partner, she played even her programme's three full-scale sonatas by Brahms, Debussy and Ireland from memory as well as shorter pieces by Schumann and Thomas Wilson (a pleasant unaccompanied Fantasia for those still wary of the avant garde). Her sterling, totally unaffected musicianship was at once apparent in perceptive phrasing and awareness of the give and take inherent in sonata texture.

With pleasantly lyrical tone (not overladen with vibrato) to call on too, she should never have difficulty in finding a home in a string trio or quartet. Technique and intonation (except for a few lapses in higher reaches) were highly promising, though if her sights are set on a soloist's career she could profitably seek to cultivate bigger tone and more temperament and intensity in her playing when she shortly goes off to study at the Juilliard School. For all her taste and discernment, Debussy and Ireland in particular needed projection at stronger voltage.

LSO/Atherton
Festival Hall

William Mann

In the days when Ernest Fleischmann ruled the London Symphony Orchestra, he had declared as a matter of policy, that it is possible to build programmes of twentieth century music just as attractive as those concerned with the music of previous centuries. He proved the point with several still unforgotten concerts (the first series of modern landmarks conducted by Boulez, for instance) but, since he moved to California, London's symphony concerts have seldom shown the same enthusiasm for the music of our time.

Wednesday's LSO concert on the South Bank did remember that policy. Holst's *The Planets* represented the big popular masterpiece, Walton's Johannesburg Festival Overture the irresistible curtain-raiser. In between came Peter Maxwell Davies's *Worldes Blis*, a large single-movement structure, completed in 1969 but performed only a few times since then.

Worldes Blis is a symphonic examination of the "form-building potentialities" of an anonymous thirteenth century song. Some concertgoers might be put off by the intellectual connotations of that description and the consequent attempt to follow, by ear, the intricacies of the process (it is worthwhile doing so, but at home, at leisure). The composer has also described his "motet for orchestra" as a search for its material source, discovered towards the end when the melody is chimed out on bells: that is a more helpful lead for a concert hearing.

The piece is dramatic in tone of voice, especially the long first section for trumpets pitted against strings, then the big outburst of percussion, later a scurrying section featuring strings. David Atherton, who conducted the concert, emphasized the drama of the music, and its sensuously attractive qualities; it was not often that the ear was wearied with dogged contrapuntal argument. A few minor imprecisions reminded one how difficult it is to play *Worldes Blis*; the reading was, for the most part, scrupulously and sympathetically balanced, but will obviously gather persuasiveness the more often the LSO performs it.

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MUSIC ON YOUR DOORSTEP

William Rees-Mogg comments on an important new American book on the history of gold money

The golden constant: a one hundred-year guarantee against world inflation

The world currency system is in crisis. The Americans still want to preserve the dollar as the centre of the world system, but the enormous quantity of foreign held dollars, a large current deficit, inadequate reserves and a relatively high inflation rate make American policy quite unrealistic. The Bremen plan may create a European currency unit which could join the dollar and the yen as a tripartite centre to the world exchange system. Yet the Bremen proposals must still be treated with some reserve; there is nothing to be said for trying to align currencies unless there is a fully formed political will to align the policies which determine the value of currencies.

If the dollar cannot be kept on its throne, and other currency systems do not offer a satisfactory alternative, the choices left are a world system with no dominant currencies, except what the market determines, a system based on the IMF, or a remonetarization of gold.

The case for gold needs to be reexamined. The fact that it is still unfashionable is not decisive. The historic evidence is that gold, sometimes assisted by silver, provided relatively ignorant governments in the period 1600 to 1900 with a more stable and more successful system than paper has given the vastly more sophisticated governments of our time.

A new American book *The Golden Constant** by Professor Roy W. Jastram, the Professor of Business Administration at the University of California, Berkeley, allows us to do so with a far better statistical record than we have ever had before. Professor Jastram's book is cautious about conclusions, but his statistical researches are thorough and in my view decisive. From Professor Jastram's work, which in the British case covers over 400 years, and other sources one can establish the following propositions.

1 Gold money is an extremely good stabilizer of long term prices.

Between 1640 and the present day the purchasing power of gold in England has crossed the 1930 level no less than 33 times, most recently in 1973. In the years 1659, 1740, 1765, 1766, 1772, 1870 and 1875 gold was within one per cent of its 1930 purchasing power. Gold is an excellent long term automatic price stabilizer, fluctuating around a constant.

2 Gold money is a moderately good stabilizer of short term prices.

The maximum medium term rate of inflation in the United Kingdom under gold was 1.2 per cent compound; in the United States it was higher, with a brief inflation at 7.9 per cent in 1808-1814. The highest peacetime rate of inflation in the United States under gold was 2.8 per cent in 1843-1857. Deflation rates vary from the United Kingdom maximum of 2.6 per cent in 1873-96 to the United States catastrophic deflation of 8.9 per cent in 1929-33, though that deflation is not attributable to gold as such, but to a credit collapse, as has been demonstrated by Keynes and Professor Friedman.

3. Gold leads to low and stable interest rates, short term and long term, nominal and real. This is favourable both to saving and investment.

4. Gold has a zero risk of catastrophic inflation.

5. Gold has a significant risk of catastrophic deflation, at a frequency of about two episodes a century.

6. Gold acts in a contracyclical manner; the purchasing power of gold money falls in a period of inflation and rises in a period of deflation, thereby contracting or expanding the real money supply, in such a way as to counteract the dominant price trend. Gold money fights against a boom and then reverses and fights against a slump.

7. Gold requires limited management.

8. Gold systems are international and do not depend on single governments. They protect against electoral manipulation.



Let us compare this with paper currency systems.

1. Paper currency systems have no tendency to long term price stability.

2. Paper currency systems have poor capacity to stabilize short term prices. Extreme gold money inflations are about equal to the most modest paper money inflations.

3. Paper money leads to high and fluctuating nominal interest rates, with long term rates often extremely high or unavailable. Real interest rates fluctuate unpredictably from negative to very high. This is unfavourable both for saving and investment.

4. Paper money systems are vulnerable to catastrophic inflation.

5. Paper money systems have a significant risk of catastrophic deflation, in addition to the collapse which follows inflation catastrophes. There is no historic evidence that it is easier to avoid or counteract recessions under paper systems, though it may be possible to postpone them.

6. Paper money systems are not inherently contracyclical, though they can be managed in a contracyclical way.

7. Paper money systems require intensive and very skilful management.

8. Paper money systems depend on individual governments or groups of governments, and are particularly vulnerable to fraudulent and inflationary electoral manipulation.

There are several commonly made objections to a return to a gold system. They include the following:

i. Trade unions are now too strong. Inflation is inevitable and we must have a system which adjusts the money supply to it.

ii. There is too little new mined gold to support the expansion of world trade.

iii. The main gold mining countries are the Soviet Union and South Africa who do not deserve the benefit of gold being more valuable.

iv. Gold is irrational; it can never again command man's acceptance.

v. It deprives governments of a power they will not give up.

The Index of Purchasing Power of Gold
England 1560-1976 (1930=100.0)

Year	Index	Year	Index	Year	Index
1560	174.5	1700	123.1	1830	97.7
1570	145.1	1710	103.4	1840	90.2
1580	152.1	1720	115.7	1850	125.7
1590	120.7	1730	111.4	1860	97.7
1600	124.8	1740	99.4	1870	100.8
1610	120.4	1750	112.7	1880	110.0
1620	129.0	1760	110.8	1890	134.5
1630	119.7	1770	110.7	1900	129.2
1640	109.7	1780	112.7	1910	124.1
1650	97.6	1790	103.1	1920†	51.4
1660	105.2	1800†	66.9	1930	100.0
1670	121.6	1810†	71.3	1940†	—
1680	117.5	1820†	80.2	1950†	128.7
1690	109.1			1960†	74.6
				1970†	63.5
				1976†	136.0

Purchasing power is defined in terms of commodities.
†Convertibility of the pound sterling into gold suspended.
Source: The Golden Constant. Roy W. Jastram.

There are, I think, answers to these objections:

i. The strength of trade unions feeds on inflation and promotes it: We in Britain are now coming to accept 10 per cent inflation as normal. But 10 per cent inflation reduces a pound to a penny in an ordinary working lifetime. There is no reason to think that it is harder to stabilize prices at nil per cent inflation than at a constant 10 per cent, with all the strains 10 per cent puts on society. Both are difficult; if stable prices are impossible then so is the constant 10 per cent.

ii. New mined gold equals about 3 per cent of the stock held by banks. More important, there is a very large stock, but not quantified, held privately. If gold were restored as the basic measure of international money, it would become more profitable to deposit money on interest than to continue to hoard gold. The gold supply would tend to rise strongly in the early years of remonetarization. Changes in liquidity preferences between hoarding and dishoarding are more significant than new mining.

iii. Monetary gold falls in purchasing power during an inflation. Gold producers would probably receive a lower, though more stable, price if gold were remonetized. Commodity gold in an inflationary paper money period; a premium, to the added benefit producer countries.

iv. Gold is not less but more ration paper money. Money holds value as it is in limited supply: gold will be in limited supply, and would real resources to produce even fr sea; paper and printing ink are limited supply. The gold system closer to a modern automatic sc control system than the crude an tively unstable system of paper.

v. Governments abuse the pow issuing money when it is not con by convertibility, preferably ima If the paper currencies go from c catastrophe, governments will h seek a new base for currencies.



This year's London Assay Office mark for gold.

To prefer paper to gold is to high risk to lower risk, instabi stability, inflation to steady long values, a system of very low grad formance to a system of higher, not perfect, performance. A gold would present problems, particular need to guard against the risk inflation. These problems are all with paper systems, combined with and great disadvantages gold do have. The paper systems seem now coming to the end of their ef lives; the restoration of gold to a position in world money is the valuable reform that could be taken.

The historic evidence is that greatly more efficient than paper ducing stable prices and stable a interest rates. These are the op monetary conditions for economic reloppment and social stability. Go in the past provided a guarante centuries against world inflation; it do so again.

* *The Golden Constant*, by Ro Jastram, Wiley Interscience £12.5

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Bernard Levin

Hockney and The Magic Flute: will he next be called into The Ring?

The argument over *The Magic Flute* has been going on for most of two centuries now, and I dare say will continue to rage as long as the work lasts, which will be quite some time yet. The problem (any summary less than the length of an encyclopaedia is, in view of the fact that enough has been written on it to fill a very large library, certain to be an over-simplification) has both a general and a particular face to it. The *general* aspect is concerned with the apparently irreconcilable qualities it contains, of innocent pantomime and the most profound philosophy, and also with the difficulty of interpreting the symbolism with which the work is replete. The *particular* side of the problem consists of the role-reversal apparently undergone by Sarastro and the Queen of the Night in the course of the opera. (While I am about it, would some learned person tell me by whom the Queen, who in the libretto is referred to only by her title, was so appropriately christened "Astriffiamante"? In order to avoid my being buried under a mountain of letters, I had better restrict my request to *one* learned person, and I hereby nominate Dr Stanley Sadie.)

I don't really need an excuse to talk about *The Magic Flute*, though in fact I have one, in that I have been to see the new Glyndebourne production with the Hockney sets. How long is it, I wonder, since a new production of an opera was thought and talked about in terms not of the singers, the conductor or even the producer, but the designer? Indeed, has it ever happened before? I do not think that in this case it is merely a reflection of Hockney's self-contained fame; it is surely based on the sensationally successful sets and costumes he did three years ago for the Glyndebourne production of *The Rake's Progress*, which instantly—they constituted his first venture on the stage—put him in the very front rank of theatrical designers. We spent much of the interval discussing what he might do next; he is rumoured to be interested in *The Ring*, but for my part I hope that the designer for the forthcoming new production of *Parsifal* at Covent Garden has not yet been chosen, and that Mr Hockney might be thought fitting, and could be persuaded to do it.

As it happens, I did not find the designs altogether convincing. Mr Hockney clearly takes the pantomime, or Schikaneder, view of the work (so, apparently does the producer, John Cox, or if he doesn't I cannot see why Papageno should dominate the action to such an extent), and although he is far too fine an artist to offer in consequence designs which are either whimsical or precious, I could not help feeling that somewhere amid those vivid greens and russets, not to mention the positively Californian vista with dwarf poplars and what looked suspiciously like a Californian swimming pool, the mighty heart of the work had been diminished.

But wherein lies that mighty heart? Or to put it even more basically, what is *The Magic Flute* about? No simple answer will do: if you say, for instance, that it is about the struggle between good (Sarastro) and evil (the Queen) for the souls of humanity (Tamino and Pamina) you have to explain how it is that the instruments of salvation—the flute and the bells—are given to those who are to undergo the ordeals not by the representative of good but by the embodiment of evil. What is more, you have an uncomfortably loose end to tie up in the fact that Pamina is the Queen's own daughter, and another, shorter, loose end in the fact that Monostatos is Sarastro's servant, not the Queen's. (And, I may add, that Sarastro's kingdom rests on a foundation of slavery).

If we take this particular line of argument a step or two further, and say that the work is about enlightenment, and that in it we see wisdom bringing illumination into darkness, some of the difficulties disappear; it is worth remarking that in Goldsworthy Lowes Dickinson's parable on the subject the Queen is plainly shown as unenlightened rather than simply evil, though she consciously refuses salvation at the end. On the other hand, other difficulties now arise to trouble us.

Chief among these, it has always seemed to me, is *Bei Männern*, which proclaims without qualification that the opera is about love: nor can I accept as a coincidence without significance the fact that this duet is between Pamina, who is half in the higher world (who, incidentally, was the Queen of the Night's husband?) and Papageno, who is half in the lower. Surely love is the bridge by which we cross from the earthly to the divine (Richard Strauss got that right, with the night-watchmen's hymn in *Die Frau Ohne Schatten*), and Sarastro, in the second of his mighty statements of his (=Mozart's) credo, says plainly that those who fall away from their highest duty are led back to it not by punishment but by love:

In diesen heil'gen Hallen.
Kennt man die Rache nicht;
Und ist ein Mensch gefallen,
Führt Liebe ihn zur Pflicht.

And yet the three temples which guard the entrance to Sarastro's domain are dedicated respectively to Wisdom, Nature and Reason: where is the fourth that should dominate all three of these?

Much has been made, reasonably enough, of the elements of Freemasonry that are plainly strewn through the work (Mozart was a Mason), but I can no more accept that *The Magic Flute* is only an advertisement for that particular mystery than I can believe that the works of Shakespeare are nothing but gibberish designed to conceal a cipher proving that they were written by Bacon. (If it comes to that, Mozart alludes to Mesmer in *Cosi Fan Tutte*, but Cosi is rather more than a campaign to promote hypnotism as a means of reducing obesity or giving up smoking.)

When in doubt, stop thinking and listen to the music. (In order to listen to the music, indeed, we shall have to stop thinking; music—and the extraordinary thing about music is that this truth applies to Sousa's as much as to Mozart's—does not go via the mind at all, but bypasses that most unreliable of instruments to speak directly, without words or even concepts, to the heart and the soul. *Prima la musica, dopo le parole!*) I got into a good deal of trouble, not long ago, for saying that Bach always sounds to my ears as though he is writing in the minor key even when he isn't; well, let me see if I can now get into more by declaring that in *The Magic Flute* Mozart sounds to me as though he is writing in the major even when he is in fact firmly in the minor.

Indeed, only *The Mastersingers* seems to have as much of what I suppose I must call majority as does *The Magic Flute*, and there is the clue; of all the world's operas, none, not even *Fidelio* itself, proclaims as certainly and clearly as do these two that the universe is consistent, harmonious, intelligible and true. If the plot of *The Magic Flute* is confused, why, so is history; but the music, from the overture to the final chorus, makes sense, at a level far beyond sense, of everything in it, as the principle which runs through the universe makes sense of everything, too. In the kingdom wherein *The Magic Flute* is set, which is not really Sarastro's any more than the Queen's, but a realm which contains both (the one in any case being only the shadow cast by the light of the other), the animals of the forest are transformed by music—sounds and sweet airs, that give delight and hurt not—and if they, with their limited natures, sense the truth through music, it should not be difficult for us ("Ye were not born to live the lives of brutes, but virtue to pursue, and knowledge high") to experience the same transformation. That is what *The Magic Flute* is about if it is about anything; and the only alternative hypothesis, which is that it is about nothing, does not seem to me, to put it as unvehemently as possible, at all convincing.

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The making of a personality

Who are these *personalities* who have recently come among us in excessive numbers? How do they differ from the rest of us persons? They seem to have sprung fully armed with *personality* from the television set, which is known in the latest expressive American slang as the flickering blue parent. Indeed, to give their designation in full, many of them are known as television *personalities*.

What they seem to be are persons whose faces are instantly recognizable from exposure on television and in photographs in newspapers, but who have no other obvious talents. Benny Hill appears frequently on television, and is instantly recognizable. But he is described as a comedian, not a *personality*. Actors, actresses, dancers, singers, sportsmen, and professors retain their professional descriptions and are not translated into *personalities*, however often they appear on television, and however often persons in the street come up to them and say: "I know your face, don't I?" News readers and persons like Hughie Green, David Frost, and Bruce Forsyth, who have become household faces merely by frequent appearance on television, are such stuff as *personalities* are made of. They have the sort of faces that Madame Tussaud's selects to represent, to cater for the deep-rooted human itch to rub shoulders with the notorious, even at second hand in wax.

In the six centuries that it has been part of the English language *personality* has acquired a number of overlapping meanings, as is to be expected of such an old word. The and primary meaning i quality or state of being son, and not an abstra thing, or lower being, (1692): "We must be lest we ascribe any *perso* to this Nature or Chance."

The second main mean the assemblage of chara tics that makes a perso he is as distinct from persons, as in she has a vating, or, as it might repellent *personality*. A meaning is anything said person, especially a dis ing or derogatory re usually in the plural, libellous personalities, which, Good Lord, deliver

The word has acq several other meanings shades of connotation, general, some specialize the jargons of law and ogy. One of the subst meanings is a personal h or, in short, a person, meaning and the meanin the social characteristic commanding notice have bined to make the mo television *personality*: a son of importance, renown at any rate one who is often on television, as in gentle and lovable *pers lity*", or, more probably in context, "a loud and un able personality".

The word has been fur popularized by the *person* cult practised by politician diverse, or perhaps as simi as Kennedy and Khruschch and by the Freudian jargon *personality* tests and disord The trouble about being a *sonality* is that the career often short though merry. What can he do afterwar One day he wakes up to shock that no person in streets recognizes his face more. He has become a n *personality*, and will have try to grow up and becom person.

Philip Howa

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BONN DIARY

Summit city caters for all contingencies

Motorists returning to Bonn after an evening out early this week were stopped by police and had their cars searched. Had there been a terrorist attack? No, it was just the security men preparing for Bonn's third and biggest political spectacular this year, the state visit of President Carter followed by the summit of leaders of the seven most industrialized countries.

With reports that Japans terrorists have been interested in the summit, and warnings from West German security experts that the home-grown terrorists are planning more political assassinations, the police are taking no chances.

It was relatively easy to shuttle the first important visitor of the year, President Leonid Brezhnev, from one place to another in a bullet-proof car along streets lined with machine-gun carrying police, particularly since the Soviet leader showed little inclination to meet the populace. The Queen did not want a barrier of security men between her and the people and precautions were unobtrusive.

The security men had a dress rehearsal for the summit last week at the meeting of EEC leaders last weekend in Bremen. They sealed off not only the beautiful town hall but also the square in front, thus depriving the citizens of the sight of their Chancellor sprinting across through the pouring rain to give a press conference.

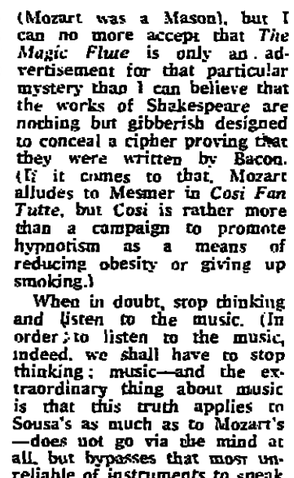
But what can you do when one of the two most important men in the world wants to address the crowds and walk about shaking hands with ordinary people? The curtain of secrecy has been lifted sufficiently to reveal that 13,000 policemen, one for every 20 citizens, will be drafted into Bonn for President Carter's visit. It seems likely that a good proportion of the "people" he meets in his walkabouts will be police in some guise or another.

What is bringing not only security men but also diplomats out in goose-pimples here is the plan for the President to answer questions at a "meet the people" session during his four-hour visit to West Berlin on Saturday.

Every United States President, indeed every important visitor to West Berlin, faces the fact that he can never better the unforgettable, historic visit of President Kennedy when he assured an ecstatic city that: "*Ich bin ein Berliner.*"

A completely different touch was clearly called for in President Carter's case, but when a "meet the people" was suggested Americans here did everything they could to persuade the White Horse to drop the idea.

West Berlin is not a small



American town whose main pre-occupations migh be the price of potatoes or police corruption. Its existence as a Western city depends on delicate and often ill-defined East-West agreements and it is ultra-sensitive to the slightest change in the winds blowing between Washington and Moscow.

The slightest slip of the tongue could do incalculable harm and officials' hair stands on end when they think of the President's gaffe at the London summit last year when he said in all innocence that West German military patrols go into East Berlin while Eastern troops patrol in the West. Since the event will be televised live there is no chance of diplomats correcting errors afterwards. "We can only hope that the President has done his homework carefully", an American official said.

A good deal of the spontaneity of the event will be lost owing to the fact that participation is by invitation from the Berlin Senate only. About 1,000 people chosen as a cross-section of the population, have been invited after careful screening.

Another disadvantage is the language barrier, since President Carter apparently speaks no German and many of his listeners will probably be unable to follow what he says in English. The whole discussion will have to be translated by an interpreter.

President Carter will give a speech near the moving monument to the Berlin air lift 30 years ago, and will doubtless seize the opportunity to recall the great chapter in West Berlin's history when the allied powers kept the city alive for 11 months by shuttling food and goods in by air.

The President's 15 "white mice"—white-coated police outriders—as a state guest will be reduced to the seven of an official visitor when the summit begins on Sunday.

Bonn is taking a remarkably relaxed view of the impending invasion by between 1,200 and 1,500 journalists, the 13,000 policemen, hundreds of advisers, foreign security men, technicians and other staff. Fortunately, the summit comes in the middle of the local holiday period, traffic is thinner and old Bonn hands returning for the occasion may well find their favourite restaurants closed.

The greatest strain is being felt by the hotels, and the town council has issued an appeal for bed and breakfast accommodation, "so as not to risk anyone having to sleep out on park benches", an official said.

Bonn can only offer 4,000 beds for visitors, many of them already occupied by people attending two congresses which had been planned here long before the summit.

An entire congress of officials preparing an East-West scientific conference was in danger of eviction to Aachen, but was eventually allowed to stay in Bonn on the understanding that they would exchange their high-class hotel rooms for more modest accommodation for the duration of the summit.

The Government press office and the town council thought at first of hiring a Rhine hotel-steamer to accommodate journalists, as they did for the funeral of Konrad Adenauer, the first West German Chancellor. But all the steamers are plying up and down the river with summer tourists. The idea of railway sleeping coaches pulled up on a convenient siding was abandoned because one could think of how to dispose of the sewage.

The summit has also shown up painfully Bonn's shortage of VIP accommodation. The heads of state and prime ministers will be putting up at the residences of their ambassadors for lack of suitable lodgings.

The Government rents stately homes in the vicinity to accommodate special visitors and hold gala banquets, but the situation has prompted it to open negotiations to buy accommodation of its own.

The building in question is the Petersberg, a once-luxurious and somewhat pompous hotel now closed and decaying on top of a hill just across the Rhine. Its position and view of Bonn would make it a superb state guest house and as it is reachable only by one road it would be ideal from the security point of view.

The owners, the family which makes 4711 Eau de Cologne, are asking DM20m (£5m). The Government, which would also have to spend several times that amount putting it in order, thinks that is too much.

The owners know that sooner or later the Government will probably have to take it. The Government knows that there are no other buyers for what is otherwise a huge white elephant, and the latest Bonn cocktail party game is guessing what figure they will settle on.

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A VERY SERIOUS BLUNDER

Mr Andrew Young has made his most serious blunder so far with some very wrong headed remarks about political prisoners in the United States. To say that there are hundreds or thousands is either just plain wrong or is to include among political prisoners almost any criminals who claim to have had political motives. In either case it looks too close to saying that there is not much difference between the American and Soviet violations of human rights or between the men now on trial in the Soviet Union and some other unspecified victims of American injustice. This is absurd and it is also a libel on the United States and on President Carter's administration. Inevitably, therefore, the question is again raised whether Mr Young is more of an asset than a liability in his present job.

The balance is difficult to find because Mr Young is an unusual figure in American politics who does not slot easily into categories. His formative experiences were gained in the civil rights movement of the Reverend Martin Luther King. This was a remarkably successful non-violent assertion of black rights which eventually brought desegregation and prosperity to the Deep South. It was based on moral discipline and faith in the ultimate justice of American law. It was also greatly helped by the southward movement of growing business. It raised Mr Young rapidly from prison to the higher rungs of the political ladder, thereby giving him a rare double vision of the underside of the American system as well as its capacity for rapid change.

Transferring this experience to world politics makes him very far from the communist sympathizer which some people take him for. He unsettles left-wing friends by wanting to draw more private enterprise into Africa. He says that "the Russians in Africa are all racists and that is why they won't have any influence". He extols the daptability of the capitalist system. But he takes a pragmatic rather than an ideological view. His priority is peaceful change to majority rule. Wherever the Russians, Cubans or Chinese are willing to cooperate the United States should cooperate too, he says; where not, it should oppose them. Thus he has condemned Cuban activities in the Horn but acknowledged that in Angola they now give technical help and protect Gulf Oil installations.

In this attitude he is not out of line with his Administration, which is now mending fences with Angola. Nor is he out of line in principle with Dr Brzezinski, who has called on the Russians to cooperate in Africa or risk becoming historically irrelevant. Where he is out of line is in the unthinking casualness of his utterances, and in his excessively optimistic identification of Africa with Mississippi. There were no Cuban troops in Mississippi.

His remark about political prisoners can most charitably be seen against this background. Up to a point it reflected President Carter's determination that his human rights policy should be even-handed, that it should judge by values rather than ideologies, and that it should apply as much to the United States itself as to other countries. He wants to get away from the self-righteous and excessively ideological view of America as a practically flawless example to the world. He hopes to restore America's moral standing by adopting a more self-critical and evolutionary approach.

This is what Mr Young seems to have been struggling to express. The full text of his remarks to *Le Matin* show that he was very far from wanting to bring aid and comfort to the Soviet Union. On the contrary, he said that "the present Soviet dissidents might well prove the salvation of the Soviet Union; they are a natural development of Soviet society, but its leaders have not yet understood it". Like his remarks on Angola this was well meant in a way, but badly expressed and naively optimistic. Neither African nationalists nor Soviet dissidents are Mississippi peace marchers. Nor are they facing the American system of government.

Mr Young has a duty to be a lot more careful. He gives aid to the very persecutors he deplores. Yet in many ways he has been a great asset to Mr Carter, and wants the right things, such as peaceful change in Africa without Soviet intervention. He has done enormously valuable work in winning credit for the United States among Africans who were profoundly distrustful of previous Administrations. He is important to Mr Carter for his influence with black voters at home. But his value is being destroyed by impulsive and unthought remarks which contribute to the Administration's reputation for incoherence and weakness. Admittedly some of the blame must lie with those who report his remarks in oversimplified form and then exploit them but experienced politicians must allow for this.

If Mr Young is dismissed it will do real damage to Mr Carter's Administration in black Africa and some damage among back voters at home. If he stays in office he will probably continue to cause damage in middle America and among America's allies abroad. On balance, at present, dismissal would do the greater damage. But Mr Carter's Administration is not strong enough to survive many more thoughtless gaffes of this kind. Mr Young must not make himself a symbol of everything that American voters distrust about the Carter Administration.

A HOPEFUL AGREEMENT ON NAMIBIA

The acceptance by Swapo of the five-power western plan for an internationally recognized independent Namibia has followed South Africa's acceptance, which was officially notified two months ago. It is very welcome. It has required, however, the most arduous diplomatic efforts by all concerned to persuade Mr Sam Nujoma, the head of Swapo in exile and involved in guerrilla operations against South Africa, to fall into line. However Swapo has for some time ceased to be a monolithic organization controlled in Zambia and Angola by Mr Nujoma's personal fiat. He has had to bow to the wishes of his African backers, including those of Mr Nyerere in Tanzania. The result is a scheme in which the western powers and the African "frontline states" are in full accord. That is of the first importance for the future.

In April Swapo and the South African government had been brought very close to agreement. South Africa had at last agreed to accept a United Nations peacekeeping force and United Nations invigilation of the elections, entailing the reduction of its 20,000 occupying troops to a mere 1,500 on emergency standby in certain bases. Swapo has been slowly argued into accepting that the local South African police had to be accepted as the residual force for law and order, on the basis that the United Nations presence amounted to a de facto concession of the Republic's acceptance of United Nations juridical rights, and that this would represent a visible symbol of the nationalists' victory, albeit a peaceful one.

But the South African raid on Swapo guerrilla bases on the Angolan side of the border in May gave Mr Nujoma an excuse to prevaricate, and indeed to demand arms to intensify the border war. He reiterated his claim that Walvis Bay (the former British colonial enclave that was never part of the original League of Nations "C" mandate) must be conceded to the new state under any agreement.

But events moved against Mr Nujoma. In June Mr Andreas Shipanga was released from detention in Tanganyika, whither he had been transferred from Zambia, and he revealed the long-suspected brutal treatment meted out by Mr Nujoma, with his hosts' connivance, to any of his own party members who disputed his absolute authority. Mr Shipanga now heads Swapo-Democrats in Namibia, and the party is decisively split. Behind Mr Shipanga's release lies the disillusion of the presidents of Zambia, Angola, Tanzania and Mozambique with Swapo's policy and its growing dependence on Russian and Cuban aid. They have come to see, on the contrary, substantial advantages to themselves as well as to the African nationalist cause in the longer run in the implications of the western compromise plan.

They no doubt realize that continued war on the frontier would increase and draw in external interference, while at the same time Swapo intransigence would produce a revulsion of international opinion in favour of the South African government which, while maintaining security somewhat stringently in the territory, was steadily preparing for elections by the registration of voters.

The arena in Namibia is now more open than it has been for some time. Swapo will have to compete peacefully with other parties; moreover the agreement also specifies the release from South African detention of a number of Namibian nationalist leaders whose intervention in the elections may greatly alter the outcome and complexion of the resultant government. The Namibian Assembly, if all goes well, could indeed reasonably reflect a cross section of a tribally and racially complex community, with nobody able to steamroller anybody else.

The United Nations, however, has now to make its own crucial contribution to that outcome. Its success cannot be taken for granted, given the history of its dispute with Pretoria, and its performance will have to be carefully watched. But the advantages are great, and Dr Owen and Ambassador Young are entitled to draw the conclusion that a peaceful transition in Namibia could set an invaluable example to the warring parties and rival aspirants for absolute power in Rhodesia-Zimbabwe. The parallel between these two conflicts should not be overstated, but if the same pressures as were eventually effective in the Namibian conflict can be exerted anew in the Rhodesian one, there is still hope, and to maintain hope is desperately necessary.

A FAIR BALANCE IN BENEFITS

When the Beveridge system of social security was instituted it was envisaged that supplementary benefit, or national assistance as it was in those days, would play only a small part. Its role would be to fill in the gaps left by an otherwise comprehensive scheme. But the experience of the past dozen years in particular has proved to be very different. Over five million people, about one in ten of the population, are now on supplementary benefit. That is the central fact which had to be taken into account in the special review of the scheme by a team of officials, whose report was published yesterday. Supplementary benefit has to be accepted as a form of mass provision for years to come. That is a pity because it indicates that millions of people will remain dependent on means tested assistance, with all its familiar disadvantages. But while the new national pension scheme should gradually reduce the number of pensioners on supplementary benefit it would be too expensive to raise other social security payments to the level where additional help was necessary for only a small minority.

The principal conclusion that follows from this is that the rules governing the payment of supplementary benefit need to be more formal and precise. The existing regulations provide for considerable discretion by the Commission and its staff, which would have been a sensible way of determining payments for those who were essentially the misfits of the welfare state. A comparatively small number of people in special circumstances could have been best dealt with by special consideration of their needs. But as the numbers on supplementary benefit have grown so has the total of discretionary payments —so much so as to make a mockery of the idea that they are a response to exceptional need. About half of all claimants receive ECAs (exceptional circumstances additions) to their weekly payments, and roughly the same proportion are given ENPs (exceptional needs payments) as a lump sum in the course of the year.

The objection to this is not simply that it is logically absurd, but that discretion is not applied uniformly between different parts of the country or even between one official and another. Claimants do not know where they stand. But if discretionary payments were just to be abolished outright there would be hardship to a number of people now that they have become used to these forming part of their budget. On the other hand, to raise the level of regular benefit for everyone to cover the loss of discretionary payments for some people would be prohibitively expensive.

Alternative solutions to this dilemma are offered in the report. One way would be to get rid of discretionary awards, apart from genuinely exceptional circumstances, and replace them with a lump sum twice a year for everyone on supplementary benefit. Another option would be to concentrate the lump sum largely on families. There would be two advantages in this second course. It would be less expensive—though the precise cost would obviously vary according to the size of the lump sum—and it would give most help to that section of the community who most require favourable treatment: families with children. This is the direction in which the social welfare system should move.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Church doctrine on remarriage

From The Bishop of London

Sir, In view of the misunderstandings which may arise as a result of the rejection of the proposals of the Bishop of Lichfield's Commission on Marriage and the Church's Task by the General Synod of the Church of England, I would be grateful for the opportunity of explaining why some of us with reluctance had to vote against them.

We share the view of the Commission that there are a number of instances when it would be proper for the remarriage of someone who has been divorced to take place in church.

We cannot however accept the view that it should be permissible for someone who has already taken the solemn vows of the marriage service towards a living person to take the same vows towards another person, until the church has formally pronounced upon the marital status of the party involved.

The situation could, I believe, be eased if the General Synod were to give authority to the bishop to examine the previous marriage and the reasons for its dissolution, and then, if he felt justified, either to pronounce the marriage to be morally and spiritually dead, or to dispense the person involved from his or her life vows. An agreed Code of Practice could be drawn up to ensure that the bishops act in agreement with one another.

The way would then be open for the second marriage to take place in church and the vows taken and administered with a clear conscience.

Yours faithfully,
GERALD LONDIN:
London House,
8 Barton Street, SW1.
July 13.

From Mr D. G. Galvin

Sir, There are two salient points which your correspondence on "The Prince and the Pope" has failed to bring out. These are:

(1) In the context of Anglican-Roman Catholic relations the ecumenical effects of the papal ban should not be exaggerated. In the great majority of mixed marriages involving the two Churches the non-Catholic partner is drawn from that mass of the population which has forsaken the Established Church but who nevertheless registers himself (or herself) as "C of E" Such persons invariably raise no objection to the Catholic spouse's promise to endeavour to bring up any children of the marriage in that faith.

(2) If the Pope had granted a dispensation then you would have been assailed with letters accusing the Roman Church of having one law for the rich and another for the poor.

Yours truly,
D. G. GALVIN,
Trewartha,
Germoe Crossroads,
Praa Sands,
near Penzance,
Cornwall.
July 6.

From Sir Gordon Willmer

Sir, In all the correspondence about the Prince and the Pope I am surprised that nobody so far appears to have mentioned the Vicar of Bray.

Yours faithfully,
GORDON WILLMER,
Former Lord Justice of Appeal,
Flat 1,
34 Arkwright Road, NW3.
July 11.

'Test-tube baby' finance

From Miss Lesley Keywood

Sir, At a time when hospitals in the National Health Service are being closed down because of lack of funds, it dismays me to read that a certain newspaper is paying the parents of the "test-tube baby" a large sum of money for the privilege of publishing their story. If newspaper proprietors have this money to waste then surely its destination should be the poverty-stricken hospitals. Without the endeavours of the doctors concerned this miracle of modern science could never have happened.

I use the word "waste" advisedly because surely the average reader now knows as much about this baby as he or she wants to.

Yours, etc,
L. KEYWOOD.
50 Marshall Hill Drive,
Mapperley,
Nottingham.

Tax complications

From Lord Russell of Killowen

Sir, I employ a cook-housekeeper at modest wage. From that I have to deduct weekly sums for National Insurance and PAYE. In order that I should get this right I recently received a fat envelope from the Revenue Authorities. This contained:

(1) Form P24 (1978)(3)—only two pages of instructions.

(2) Form P8 (Blue Card) (1978) (2)—six pages of instructions.

(3) Table W1 July 1978 issue—two pages of figures.

(4) Tables C, BR and D July 1978 issue—33 pages of figures.

(5) Table B W(14-23) and M(4-5) July 1978 issue—56 pages of figures.

Indeed a princely expenditure of paper and print. It would surely have been simpler and cheaper for the Inspector just to tell me what to deduct: my accountant could check it.

Yours faithfully,
RUSSELL OF KILLOWEN,
House of Lords.

The best engineers

From Mr R. J. Barfoot

Sir, Miss Barbara Cohen is mistaken in her belief that women are currently not involved in engineering (July 5). At Leeds University alone a total of 52 young ladies of various ethnic groups are studying to become civil engineers—that most demanding and robust of professions—and a growing number of women are already qualified and can be seen on construction sites.

R. J. BARFOOT,
Concrete,
52 Grosvenor Gardens, SW1.

British policy on Rhodesia

From Mr Julian Amery, MP for Brighton Pavilion (Conservative)

Sir, There has been much discussion in recent weeks as to whether sanctions against Rhodesia should be continued or lifted. The Foreign Secretary has argued that to lift them would bring us into conflict with the United States.

It is perhaps relevant to point out that on June 29 Senator Jesse Helms of North Carolina proposed a resolution in the Senate which would have had the effect of lifting sanctions until September of next year. This resolution was defeated by only six votes: 48-42 with 10 Senators absent (seven of whom are claimed by Senator Helm's office as either supporters of the Rhodesian Internal Settlement or undecided).

After the vote a spokesman for Senator Helms is reported as saying: "We have decided to try again at the first opportunity. We are now examining Senate Bills to find an early and suitable legislative vehicle. We have been given certain assurances since yesterday's vote which lead us to hope that we will have far better luck next time."

To the best of my knowledge no account of this Senate debate and vote appears to have been published in any British national newspaper. Indeed, it is only today that I have been able to check the news against the official Congressional Record.

You may feel that your readers should also be informed of this significant expression of American opinion on the question of sanctions against Rhodesia.

Yours faithfully,
JULIAN AMERY,
House of Commons.
July 12.

From Mr Michael Hamilton, MP for Salisbury (Conservative)

Sir, Lord Alport (July 13) has great knowledge of Africa. The tragedy is that he should consistently use it to so little purpose. Granted the suffering in Rhodesia is only just beginning. Granted the "situation into which they have got themselves" is appalling. But where is magnanimity? And statesmanship? And are we to sit quietly for a few months until the declaration of a Marxist state in Salisbury?

I have not signed the current Motion to lift sanctions. But I am deeply convinced that our Foreign Secretary has it in his power to be more constructive than his friend Lord Alport.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL HAMILTON,
House of Commons.
July 13.

Top salary increases

From Lord Vaizey

Sir, If you ask a silly question you often get a silly answer. Thus, Lord Boyle, asked what great panjandrums should be paid, says "more"—at which his professors, rightly, think ill of him. The consequences of Mr Heath's impetuous abolition of the Prices and Incomes Board are with us yet. There is no authoritative body to consider the question what we should all be paid. Sir Peter Hill-Norton (letter, July 11) may be right, or Warden Chester (letter, July 5) may be, but we lack the machinery to discover the answer.

Ah, say the lazy fairies (as Keynes called them), there is no answer. It is a silly question. Only the market can tell us. That may be so. But, if so, the Ambassadorship to Washington, the Headship of the Civil Service, etc (*especially* perhaps the etc) must be advertised for all to put in—otherwise the unworthy suspicions mount about in-laws, or rising through the ranks. (Yes, I did pass into the Civil Service many years ago so I have no axe to grind.)

Yours, etc,
VAIZEY,
House of Lords.
July 10.

From Sir Harold Harding

Sir, The effect of tax on top salaries which you gave on July 1 brings home realities, as "take home pay" is evoked in wage claims.

The figures which you mentioned are higher than those in the tables in *Whitaker's Almanack*. For simplicity, the basic relation seems to be that a £20,000 a year man only takes home about £9,500 in take-home-pay while a £50,000 a year man is lucky to get much more than £14,000.

Now, if the government is the employer the tax is entirely notional. No money passes at all because of PAYE—merely bookkeeping. But if a firm or business pays a top man £50,000 he only receives about 30 per cent of this while the firm makes a gift to Mr Healey of close on £35,000.

So, the higher private salaries rise, the more the government gains. But gross salaries when quoted for government officials are meaningless because the gross is never paid. However high they are quoted at, the amount of increase in money paid out is small. So government salaries should be quoted at nett and let private enterprise settle its own problems.

Yours faithfully,
HAROLD HARDING,
37 Monmouth Street,
Topsham,
Exeter.
July 3.

From Mr John C. Durnin

Sir, One read last week in your columns:

"proposal to raise election expenses by 77 per cent. . . . The increase is intended to bring expenses broadly into line with inflation since the last election."

How curiously double standard can our representatives really get?

Capital Gains may not be adjusted for inflation for tax purposes! House purchase loan levels remain, for qualifying interest purposes, at the £25,000 limit fixed in 1974!

The humble luncheon vouchers' non-taxable ceiling cannot be revised for declining purchasing power!

But election expenses, now they are different, they affect our MPs.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN C. DURNIN,
6-10 Eldon Street, EC2.

From Mr G. W. Scarlett

Sir, The dilemma of the present Government over the proposed pay rises for nationalized industry chairmen and other senior public servants is perhaps understandable but largely of their own making. If the penal rates of tax on so called high gross incomes were reduced there would surely be less pressure for large increases in gross pay.

Yours faithfully,
GEOFFREY SCARLETT,
Oak Tree Cottage,
Burney Road,
Westhumble,
Dorking,
Surrey.

Expansion at Fairford

From Mr Christopher Hall

Sir, The Secretary of State for Defence's announcement that Fairford in the Cotswolds has been chosen as the base for additional tanker aircraft of the United States Air Force crowns a remarkable piece of official ineptitude. I understand that no less than 40 possible airfields were originally considered for this function. A short list for site by site investigation was prepared by the Ministry in consultation with the USAF. However, no attempt has been made by the Minister and his officials to lay before the public a list of the serious runners in this competition and the pros and cons of each.

Sensible evaluation of the possibilities has thus been made impossible for anyone outside Whitehall and any chance that members of the public could influence the Minister's decision has been reduced to a minimum.

I have before me a letter from a Ministry of Defence official replying on behalf of Mr Mulley to my complaint on this score. He writes: "Once the choice is made, we shall send a full account of our proposal to the authorities concerned and will discuss it with them." In other words it is the Ministry's deliberate intention to present the communities concerned with a *fait accompli*.

On whether Fairford is the right choice or not I make no comment. We have in this country to accommodate our own and others' military requirements, which is not easy to do. It is made the more difficult by such blatant contempt of public participation as Mr Mulley and his officials have displayed.

Yours faithfully,
CHRISTOPHER HALL,
Director, Council for the Protection of Rural England,
4 Hobart Place,
SW1.
July 6.

Ribble Estuary marshes

From Professor G. V. T. Matthews

Sir, Britain is recognized as a world leader in the field of nature conservation. That reputation will take a hard knock if she has to confess to the other 30 member states of the International Waterfowl Research Bureau, meeting this autumn in Tunisia, that her second most important estuary for waders (the fourth in Europe) has been destroyed by a private individual.

I refer to the saltmarshes of the Ribble Estuary, purchased by a Dutchman with the immediate intention of converting them to farmland. It is astonishing that such a radical change can be inflicted without planning restraint, or even consultation with the Nature Conservancy Council.

Such unilateral action would not be possible in the Netherlands. There, any such proposal would be exposed to rigorous scrutiny by public inquiry. Moreover, the Dutch Government gives low priority to the reclamation of yet more farmland when faced with repeated gluts of agricultural produce.

Wetlands, and especially estuarine marshes, are a greatly diminished natural resource. The flocks of migratory waders and wildfowl dependent on them are an international responsibility. Britain specifically undertook to promote the "wise use" of her wetlands when she ratified, in 1976, the Ramsar "Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat". May I urge that this undertaking be honoured in respect of the Ribble Estuary, and that every option be used to ensure that the marshes remain.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
G. V. T. MATTHEWS, Director,
International Waterfowl Research Bureau,
Slimbridge,
Gloucestershire.
July 5.

Safely gathered in

From Major J. C. Walker

Sir, Each year, at the beginning of July, my fellow arable farmers and I are considerably irritated by the prediction of some expert, through the national press, of a record harvest. The forecast is unequivocable, there is no climatic hedging, no mention of possible unending deluge or future lack of sun. We are pinned to prosperity.

All who prophesy are foolish, or can be made to look so: the weather forecaster has his professional cross to bear, but a fisherman with rod bent taut does not congratulate himself until the trout is in the landing net; an impresario, at first reading of a promising theatre script, does not count on complete success.

May I, through you, ask for similar caution from the harvest prophets—a suggestion perhaps of "touch wood", "DV" or even "keep your fingers crossed".

Yours faithfully,
J. C. WALKER,
Sutton Veny House,
Warminster,
Wiltshire.
July 9.

Currency initiative at Bremen

From Lord Kaldor, FBA

Sir, Sir Brandon Rhys Williams' extraordinary outburst against the Treasury this morning (letter, July 12) in connexion with the Bremen currency proposals is explicable only either by an utter failure to understand what the issues are about, or else by a complete indifference to the national interest of Britain as distinct from the wider interests of "Europe".

If in our present industrial weakness we are made to enter into a monetary union with Germany (in addition to the customs union), the result can only be that Britain will be reduced to the status of a colony or a vassal of Germany, in the same way as Ireland was reduced to the status of vassal of England throughout the nineteenth century. The difference is that the fate of Ireland was the result of military conquest, whereas Herr Schmidt will succeed (where the Kaiser and Hitler failed) armed with nothing more lethal than a phoney liberal ideology.

Sir Brandon complains about the "deplorable mess" which the Treasury has made "in the management of sterling in the (last) thirty years". From the point of view of the workers of this country (as distinct from the City financiers) the "mess" was not nearly so deplorable as that left behind Montagu Norman. It is only after we were forced to abandon the Gold Standard in 1931 (with 3 million unemployed) that the British economy began to revive.

Yours faithfully,
NICHOLAS KALDOR,
King's College,
Cambridge.
July 12.

From the Lord Mayor of London

Sir, The thrust of the Treasury, whose lack of initiative Sir Brandon Rhys-Williams deplores (his letter of today, July 12), should surely be on the European Unit of Account.

Mr Roy Jenkins himself, who spoke at a luncheon here in the Mansion House given by the European League for Economic Co-operation in April, mentioned its importance in answer to a question about the likely rate of progress towards a common currency. He stressed the value of a greater usage of the EUA.

I feel myself that it must not only be more widely used but its role more clearly understood in commerce, industry and agriculture before we can move happily to the next stage.

Yours truly,
PETER VANNECK,
The Mansion House, EC4.

Delinquent girls

From Mrs Margaret Romanes

Sir, Magistrate members of juvenile panels will welcome your leading article (July 10) commenting on Sir David McNee's address to the National Association of Boys' Clubs, and drawing attention to the Government's inadequate provision of resources to deal with this small number of persistent serious offenders.

Within this category is a disturbingly fast-growing number of girl offenders. Statistics within this county show a dramatic rise in indictable crime committed by girls under 14. This trend is mirrored if not exceeded in the country as a whole. Yet no account of its appears to have been taken in the provision even of short-term secure places for girls coming before the courts.

Where secure containment is not necessary, we hope for a speedy implementation of the Magistrates' Association's request for attendance centres for girls, and for the Social Services to take urgent action to make provision for girls in intensive intermediate treatment schemes which would provide an element of reparation and service to the community which suffers loss and injury at their hands.

Yours faithfully,
MARGARET ROMANES.
Portesham House,
Near Weymouth,
Dorset.

Staying on at school

From Mr O. J. Dunmore

Sir, It is ironic that at a time when the Government are considering the use of grants to encourage parents to keep their children at school until they are 19, that I should get a letter from our local education department to say they are not able to allow my 17-year-old severely handicapped son to continue at school. This is after my wife and I had expressed our strong wishes that our son Charles continue at school for another year, where he derives great benefit and happiness in mixing with the other children.

The excuse was made that there were insufficient funds available to provide places for the further education of the mentally handicapped once they have reached the statutory age limit of 16.

It is quite clear, therefore, that there are dual standards in state education, and the mentally handicapped are in the economy class!

Yours faithfully,
O. J. DUNMORE,
6 Meadow Rise,
Darlington,
Yorkshire.

Tottenham Herons

From Mr Norman Atkinson, MP for Haringey, Tottenham (Labour)

Sir, I see from your columns (July 12) that the nocturnal behaviour of herons at Edinburgh is to be monitored by radar. We in Tottenham, London (eight miles from Trafalgar Square) applaud the idea because our herons (three pairs particularly) have nicked every goldfish within two miles of central Tottenham. They have a kind of nightly milk-run stopping off at various gardens for their diet. Even our other residents, the kestrels, get out of the way when the night patrol commences.

As in Edinburgh, have the RAF any ideas for Tottenham?

Yours faithfully,
NORMAN ATKINSON,
House of Commons.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 13: Mr James Hamilton, MP, had the honour of being received by The Queen this morning, delivered up his Wand of Office upon relinquishing his appointment as Vice-Chamberlain of the Household and received from Her Majesty his Wand of Office upon his appointment as Comptroller of the Household.

Mr Donald Richard Coleman, MP, had the honour of being received by The Queen upon his appointment as Vice-Chamberlain of the Household when Her Majesty handed to him his Wand of Office.

His Excellency Monsieur Aboubacar Somparé was received in audience by The Queen and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Guinea to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following member of the Embassy, who had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty: Monsieur Missa Kourouma (First Secretary).

Sir Michael Palliser (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs), who had the honour of being received by The Queen, was present and the Gentlemen of the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

Sir Leo Pliatzky (Permanent Secretary to the Department of Trade) had the honour of being received by Her Majesty.

Sir John Johnston, Sir Eric Norris, Sir Brooks Richards, Sir David Cole and Sir James Bottomley had the honour of being received by The Queen upon their retirement from the Diplomatic Service.

Mr R. H. Wade had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon his retirement from the New Zealand Diplomatic Service.

Lady Johnston, Lady Norris, Lady Richards, Lady Cole, Lady Bottomley and Mrs Wade had the honour of being received by The Queen.

The Duke of Edinburgh visited Nottingham today and was received upon arrival in the Royal Train at the Midland Station by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Nottinghamshire (Commander Philip Francklin, RN) and the Lord Mayor of Nottingham (Councillor O. S. Watkinson).

After visiting the High School for Girls (Headmistress, Miss L. Lewenz) and laying a foundation stone for the new Library Block, His Royal Highness drove to Lenton House and was received by the Chairman, the Boots Company Ltd (Dr G. Hobday).

The Duke of Edinburgh was entertained at luncheon and then toured the factories and unveiled a commemorative plaque at the Head Office.

His Royal Highness later visited the Council House and left Midland Station in the Royal Train for Sheffield.

Lord Rupert Nevill was in attendance.

The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief of The Parachute Regiment, this morning received Lieutenant-Colonel P. S. Morton upon relinquishing command and Lieutenant-Colonel K. Coates upon assuming command of the 3rd Battalion.

His Royal Highness, Patron, received at Buckingham Palace the Honorary Officers and Members of the Executive Committee of the Society for the Promotion of Nature Conservation.

The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, received the Marquess of Lothian (Lord Warden of the Stannaries).

His Royal Highness this evening attended the premiere of *The Revenge of the Pink Panther* in aid of the Welsh Environment, of which The Prince of Wales is President, and the Newspaper Press Fund, at the Odeon Cinema, Leicester Square.

The Queen was represented by the Reverend Canon Peter Gillingham (Chaplain to Her Majesty) at the Funeral of the Reverend John Downward (Chaplain to The Queen) which was held at St Giles' Church, Sidbury, today.

CLARENCE HOUSE
July 13: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this afternoon at a performance of the Royal Tournament at Earls Court.

The Lady Jean Rankin and Captain Jeremy Mainwaring-Burton were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 13: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, as President, presented awards at the Annual Prize Giving of The Royal Academy of Music this morning.

In the evening Her Royal Highness as President of the Ladies' Guild of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem attended a Concert given by the Eton College Choir in The Order of St John's Grand Priory Church, Clerkenwell.

Miss Jane Egerton-Warburton was in attendance.

Princess Margaret will attend the Royal International Horse Show, Wembley, on July 19.

The Duke of Gloucester has become Patron of the Royal Epping Golf Club.

Sir Robin McAlpine regrets he was unable to attend the memorial service for Sir Andrew MacTaggart.

A memorial service for Mr Bruce McKenzie will be held on Wednesday, July 19, at noon at St Clement Danes, Strand, London.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr G. W. Bishop and Miss E. M. Dixon
The engagement is announced between Gordon, son of Mr and Mrs R. M. W. Bishop, of Combe Martin, Hill View Road, Claygate, Surrey, and Elizabeth, daughter of Dr and Mrs G. E. Dixon, of Victoria House, Battery Row, Old Portsmouth, Hampshire.

Commander J. R. Brigstocke, RN, and Miss H. M. Day
The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Mrs Mollie Brigstocke and the late Canon George Brigstocke, of The Barn House, Thorner, Yorkshire, and Heather, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Dennis Day, of Thickets, Oxshott, Surrey.

Mr M. N. Cass and Miss C. A. Cooksey
The engagement is announced between Mark Neil, son of Mr and Mrs Wilfred Cass, 108 Southwood Lane, Highgate, London, N6, and Catherine Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Cooksey, Bishop's Close, Sonning, Berkshire.

Mr C. E. Davis and Miss A. T. Brown
The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mr and Mrs A. D. Davis, of St Cast, Bishop's Stortford, and Alison, daughter of Group Captain and Mrs R. F. Brown, of Church Farm, Buckland.

Mr T. A. Dulake and Miss L. R. Willcox
The engagement is announced between Thomas Anthony Dulake, Bloxworth House, Bloxworth, Dorset, and Robin Willcox, Clarendon Road, Kensington.

Mr T. C. Hayes and Miss J. R. Cowen
The engagement is announced between Timothy, youngest son of Mr Norman Hayes and the late Mrs Anna Hayes, of Randalls, Penshurst, Kent, and Jane, second daughter of Dr and Mrs Tim Cowen, of Gosmore Bury, Gosmore, Hertfordshire.

Mr G. B. O'Brien and Miss F. Ducat-Hamersley
The engagement is announced between Gerald, son of Mrs B. G. Homfray and stepson of Mr B. G. Homfray, of Weybridge and formerly of Camberley, Surrey and Felicity, daughter of Commander and Mrs E. G. Ducat-Hamersley, of Pyrton, Watlington, Oxford-

Dr G. R. Shone and Miss A. C. Peirse
The engagement is announced between Geoffrey Richard, second son of Mr and Mrs Basil Shone, of Cambridge, and Amanda Claire, elder daughter of Air Commodore Richard Peirse, of Cheltenham, and Mrs Paul Hillyer, of Goring-on-Thames.

Mr R. E. Skone James and Miss S. G. Atcheler
The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mr and Mrs E. P. Skone James, of Bromley, Kent, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. F. Atcheler, of Catford, London.

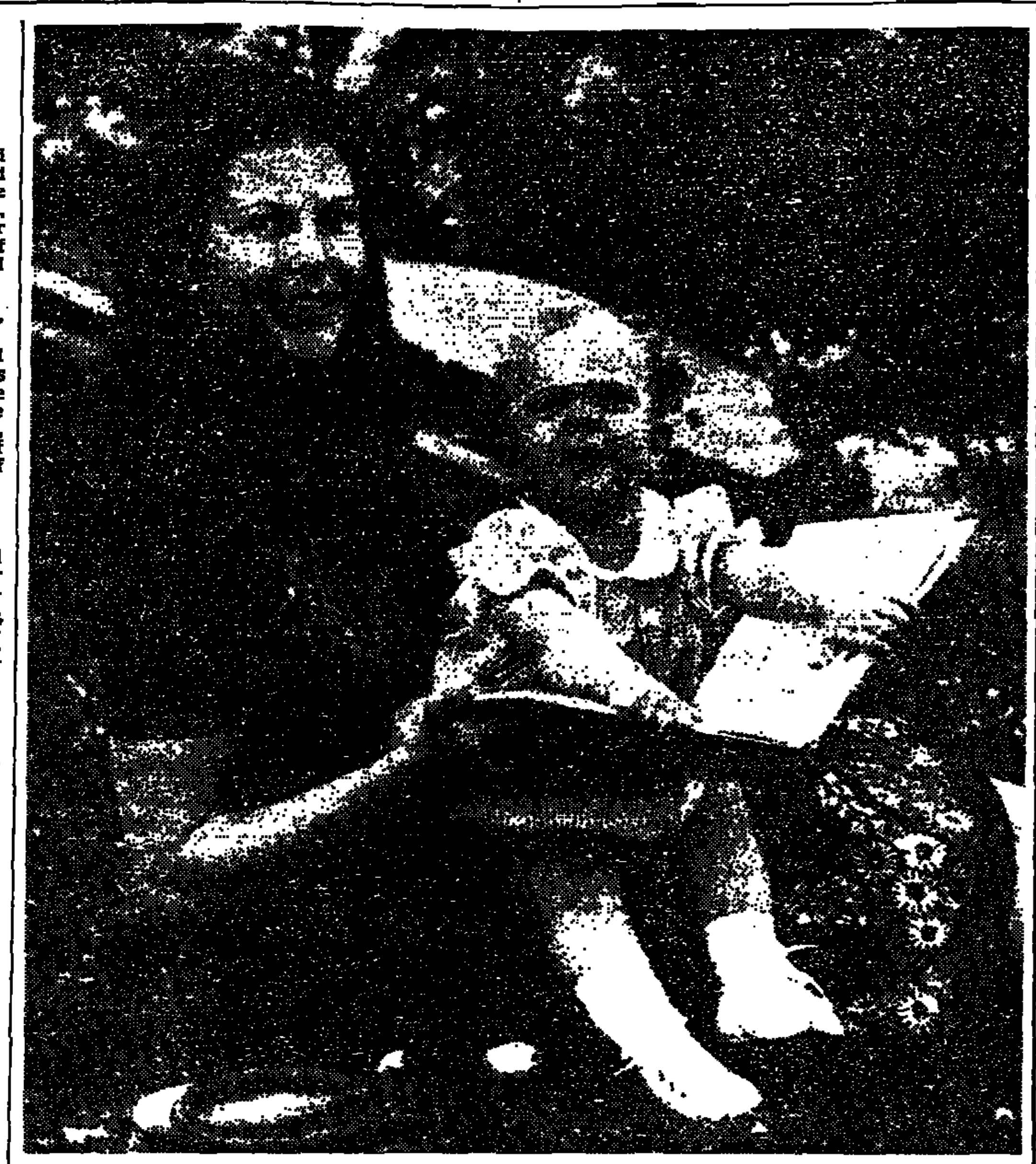
Mr S. J. Tetlow and Miss E. H. Ross-Hurst
The engagement is announced between Stephen John, only son of Mr and Mrs E. A. Tetlow, Grindleton, Lancashire, and Elizabeth Helen, youngest daughter of the late Lieutenant-Colonel K. W. Ross-Hurst, and of Mrs Ross-Hurst, Little House, Farnborough, Banbury.

Mr R. P. G. Voremberg and Miss S. M. Burnet
The engagement is announced between Rhoderick, son of Dato and Datin R. P. Voremberg, of Kuala Lumpur and Amberley, Sussex, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. F. Burnet, of Selwyn Gardens, Cambridge.

Marriage

Mr J. D. C. Hodder and Miss A. R. Hay
The marriage will take place between John, son of the late Wing Commander C. C. Hodder and Mrs Graham Wright, of 6 Fendon Road, Cambridge, and Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. R. Hay, of Highmead, Elgin Road, Weybridge, Surrey.

The Berkeley Butterfly Ball, in aid of the Queen's Silver Jubilee Trust and Action Research for the Crippled Child, was held in Berkeley Square last night. The co-chairmen were the Countess of Lichfield, Lady Jane Wellesley and Mr Alan Tillotson.



Queen Silvia of Sweden sitting in the grounds of Solliden Castle with her daughter, Princess Victoria, whose first birthday falls today. King Carl Gustaf took the photograph.

Luncheon

Corporation of London
The Corporation of London gave a luncheon at the Mansion House yesterday on the occasion of the diamond jubilee of the English-Speaking Union. The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress received the guests. The speakers were the Lord Mayor, Sir Patrick Dean, chairman of the English-Speaking Union of the Commonwealth, Mr Gordon Richardson, and Mrs Anne Armstrong, chairman of the English-Speaking Union of the United States. Among those also present were:
Lady Dean, the High Commissioner for Australia, the American Ambassador, Viscount Cowdray, Lord Barnetson, Lord Boswick, Lord Briggs, Lord Caccia, Lord Franks, Lord Greenhill of Harrow, Lord Redmayne, Dame Rosemary Murray, Dame Mary Green, representatives of the English-Speaking Union in the United Kingdom and overseas, aldermen, common councilmen, and officers of the Corporation of London and their ladies.

Receptions

Señora de Sucre-Trias
The Venezuelan Ambassador and Señora de Sucre-Trias gave a reception yesterday evening at the Royal Society, on the occasion of the presentation by Mr A. Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy, of the English edition of *Venezuela's Oil*, by Señor Rómulo Betancourt, former President of Venezuela. The guests included members of HM Government, the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, the Diplomatic Corps, the City and the press.

HM Government
Mr Edward Rowlands, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a reception yesterday in honour of participants on the RIPA Course for Nigerian administrators held at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

Banquet

Lord Mayor
The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress entertained at a state banquet in the Mansion House yesterday the Lord Chancellor and Lady Elwyn-Jones, the Lord Chief Justice and Lady Widgery, the Master of the Rolls and Lady Denning, the President of the Family Division and other of her Majesty's judges at home and from overseas, members of the legal profession, aldermen, sheriffs, members of the Court of Common Council and officers of the Corporation of London with their ladies. The Lord Mayor, the Lord Chief Justice and the Lord Chancellor were the speakers. Other guests included:
Colonel Sir Cullum and Lady Welch, the Hon Peter and Mrs Strutt, Sir Charles and Lady Trinder, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Ian and the Hon Lady Bowater, Sir Peter and Lady Studd, Group Captain and the Hon Mrs Hugh Dundas, Mr A. C. Miller, Miss Alison Miller, Group Captain and Mrs L. E. Robins and Mr and Mrs Guy Thomas.

Dinners

HM Government
Mr Michael Meacher, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department of Trade, and Mrs Meacher were hosts at a dinner held at Lancaster House last night in honour of Dr Najmeddin Dajani, Minister of Industry and Commerce, Jordan, and Mrs Dajani.

Standing Commission on Museums and Galleries
Members of the Standing Commission on Museums and Galleries entertained the Earl and Countess of Rosse at dinner at the National Army Museum, Chelsea, yesterday on the occasion of Lord Rosse's retirement after 22 years as chairman of the standing commission. Sir Arthur Drew, chairman-designate, presided. Those present included:
Esmé Countess of Carlisle, the Earl of Plymouth, Field Marshal Sir Gerald and Lady Templer, Lady Drew, Sir Frank Claringbull, Professor Sir Idris Foster, Professor Sir Ernst and Lady Gombrich, Sir John and Lady Pilcher, Sir Charles Wilson, Sir Duncan Wilson, Sir Trenchard Cox, Mr and Mrs Thomas Hume, Professor and Mrs Brian Morris, Mr Douglas Tattersall, Miss Armide Oppé, Mr and Mrs William Reid, Mr and Mrs Arthur Hesketi and Mr and Mrs Hugh Wakefield.

Pattenmakers' Company
The Master, Commander R. MacDonald-Hall, RN, presided at a court dinner held at Cutlers' Hall yesterday. The toast of the guests was proposed by Mr J. C. Marks, and the reply was made by the Hon Nicholas Ridley, MP. The guests included Marshal of the RAF Lord and Lady Elworthy, Vice-Admiral Sir Desmond Cassidi, the Master of the Loriners' Company and Mr S. G. Grinstead.

Service dinner

The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers
The regimental dinner of The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers was held at the Hyde Park Hotel yesterday. Lieutenant-General Sir James Wilson, Colonel of the Regiment, presided, and the guests of the regiment were Major-General P. R. Leuchars, Colonel, The Royal Welch Fusiliers, Brigadier T. E. D. Snow, Colonel, The Royal Canadian Regiment, Brigadier-General H. E. Bamm, The Royal Westminster Regiment, and Brigadier D. R. C. Carter, Divisional Brigadier, The Queen's Division.

Parish Clerks' Company

The following have been installed as officers of the Parish Clerks' Company for the ensuing year:
Master, Mr Geoffrey Hogg; Upper Warden, Mr R. H. Adams; Under Warden, Mr A. J. Price.

Evelyn total reaches £818,836

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

Christie's completed their sale of the Evelyn family library, including the library of John Evelyn, the diarist, yesterday. It has made a grand total of £818,836. Yesterday's sale provided the last chance to secure an Evelyn book and every lot was sold, adding £60,000 to the total.

All the costliest works in the sale were bought by Quaritch, the London dealers, who have been making extensive purchases on behalf of the British Library. They paid £7,500 (estimate £2,000 to £3,000) for Evelyn's own copy of his work *Sculptura: Or the History, and Art of Chalcography and Engraving in Copper*, published in 1662. There are several notes and an inscription on the end paper: "I ever intended a second and much improv'd edition of the historie".

Quaritch paid £3,200 (estimate £500 to £700) for Evelyn's *Panegyric to Charles the Second* of 1661 and *To the King: A Congratulatory Poem* of 1683. They paid the same price (estimate £1,000 to £1,500) for Roland Freart's *A Parallel of the Ancient Architecture with the Modern* translated by Evelyn and published in 1664.

Sotheby's sale of medieval, baroque and later works of art was something of an anticlimax after the von Hirsch sales, totalling £302,575, with 18 per cent unsold. There were, however, some high prices, particularly among the wood carvings and ivories. A Franconian limewood relief of the Virgin and Child from the workshops of Tilman Riemenschneider, about 1520, made £25,000 (estimate £20,000 to £25,000).

Sotheby's sale of contemporary prints again attracted a packed sale room, with many private buyers. A Jim Dine 1969 colour lithograph, "Self portrait: The Landscape" which is actually a dressing gown, made £1,000 (estimate £600 to £800).

An auction record price for a sampler was paid at Christie's South Kensington when £1,500 was paid for a long sampler worked in coloured silks by a Martha Prescott, who dated it 1650. The sale of embroideries, costume, textiles and fans made £18,649, with 10 per cent unsold.

Sotheby's Belgravia's first sale devoted exclusively to foreign, as opposed to English, silver made £136,871, with 7 per cent unsold.

Eton College

The Summer Half at Eton College ends today. There are 120 boys leaving, including the captain of the Oppidans, T. J. N. Earle, OS MS. Mr P. W. Sumsion is leaving to take up another appointment. Mr C. N. C. Addison and Mr K. R. Spencer are retiring from their houses and will be succeeded by Mr M. C. Meredith and Mr R. D. Haddon respectively. The Aquatics Cup was won by Dr D. Harrison's and the House Fours by Mr N. J. T. Jaques's. In the final of the house cricket College defeated Mr C. A. Impey's by 47 runs. The Eton-Harrow match will be played at Lord's on July 15 and 16. The Michaelmas Half begins on September 14.

Today's engagements

The Queen opens exhibition at headquarters of Royal Meteorological Society, and visits Meteorological Office and Queen's Silver Jubilee Gardens, Bracknell, 12.

The Duke of Edinburgh visits science and technology fair at Granville College of Further Education, 10, and new British Steel stainless steel works, Sheffield, 11.

The Prince of Wales, chairman, attends Prince of Wales's Committee for Welsh Environment Foundation, Bangor, 9.15.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother opens Clayton House, TOC H residential centre, Crawley, 4.

The Duke of Gloucester, patron, Silver Jubilee Walkwa Trust, inaugurates first section of walkway, Chancery Lane, 11.

The Duke of Kent, as chancellor, attends conferment of degrees at Surrey University, Guildford, 10.40.

Princess Alexandra, deputy Colonel-in-Chief, The Light Infantry, presents new Colours to 7th Battalion, Durham, Palace Green, 10.52.

Memorial service: Duchess of Sutherland, St Cuthbert's, Melrose, 3.

Birthdays today

Sir Robert Birley, 75; the Right Rev Dr T. Bloomer, 84; Sir Nigel Fisher, MP, 65; Sir Clive Fitts, 78; Sir Arthur Irvine, QC, MP, 69; Dr F. H. Lawson, 81; Major-General C. A. R. Nevill, 71; Dame Ann Parker Bowles, 60; Professor W. A. Robson, 83; Baroness Stedman, 62; Sir Richard Trehane, 65; Professor Sir Geoffrey Wilkinson, 57.

Latest appointments

Sir Robin Gillett, a former Lord Mayor of London, to be president of the United Kingdom branch of the Royal Life Saving Society.

Mr A. J. C. Cochrane, Headmaster of Arnold School, Blackpool, to be Headmaster of Fettes College, Edinburgh, in succession to Mr A. Chenevix-Trench, who retires on August 31, 1979.

Mr Francis Cheetham, director of Norfolk Museums Service, to be president of the Museums Association.

Latest wills

Mr Leslie William Llewellyn Alston, of Woodbridge, company director, left .. £1,039,240 net

Mrs Florence Gertrude Jordan, of Morecambe and Heysham, left £204,073 net. After personal bequests totalling more than £24,000, she left the residue equally among the Spastic Society, the Cancer Research Campaign and the Royal National Institute for the Blind.

Correction

Mr Gerald Fowler was incorrectly described on July 11 as Minister of State, Department of Education and Science. He was succeeded in that post in September, 1976, by Mr Gordon Oakes.

Memorial service

Sir Andrew MacTaggart
A memorial service for Sir Andrew MacTaggart was held at St Columba's Church of Scotland, Pont Street, yesterday. The Rev Dr J. Fraser McLuskey officiated. Mr Robert Cassels read the lesson and Mr David Balfour gave an address. Among those present were:
Lady MacTaggart (widow), Mr David and Lady Sarah Thomson Glover (stepson-in-law and stepdaughter), Suzanne and Vanessa Thomson Glover (step-granddaughters), Mr and Mrs Cecil Kerr (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Dorothy, Lady de Clifford and Mrs L. Dearman (sisters-in-law), Mr Glyn Dearman, the Hon William Russell, Mr Bruce Gubbins, the Earl of Kinnoull, Mrs K. McLauchlan, Mr John McLauchlan, Mrs A. C. Phillips, Mr A. P. H. Phillips, Miss M. Phillips, Mr I. A. Phillips.

Viscount Boyd of Merton, Sir Derek Greenaway, Sir Robert Douglas (Robert M. Douglas Holdings), Sir Laurence Menzies, Sir Gilbert Laithwaite (Inchcape Group), Sir Charles Duke, Sir Hugh Mackay-Tallack, Lady Hague, Sir Miles and Lady Clifford, Sir Edgar Beck (chairman, John Mowlem and Co, also representing Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors), Mr W. I. O'Hara (director, Balfour, Beatty and Co) with Mr James Miller; Mrs David Balfour, Mrs Betty Wulff, Commander Ian Balfour, Mr and Mrs Michael Balfour, Mr Andrew H. Pike, Mr and Mrs Hugh Balfour, Mr James Rennie, Mr T. Neill, Captain William Douglas, Mrs H. Dane, Mr and Mrs W. H. G. Ward, Mr Ian Smith, Mr J. C. Dickinson, Mr and Mrs R. Shanks, Mrs E. M. Lucas, Mr John Kennedy and Mr Alexander Dowie (Royal Bank of Scotland), Mr Warren Merrick, the Rev B. Marshall, Mr M. J. Pitcairn, Mr Peter Scott and Mr C. M. Roberts (Sir William Halcrow and Partners), Mr and Mrs Ian Bone, Mr and Mrs G. S. Whitaker, Mr D. V. Gaulter, Mr and Mrs I. Kerman, Mr David Finnie, Mr N. Ibrahim, Commander N. T. Fuller (representing the Caledonian Club), Mr and Mrs Robin McGill, Mrs R. L. Valentine, Mr and Mrs K. W. Stopforth, Dr D. Jafar, Mr Anthony Brook, Mr Maurice Revell, Mrs J. Lumsden, Miss Fiona Lumsden, Mr J. W. Collis and Mr and Mrs J. D. Gwynn.

University news

Oxford
Awards:
Gibbs prizes: Biochemistry, S. E. Kearsey, scholar, St Catherine's College. Book prizes: Judith V. Bunt, Wadham College; Judith H. Cracknell, St Anne's College; C. D. Leck, Trinity College; L. E. G. McCarthy, Wadham College, and S. J. Pull, exhibitioner, St Peter's College. Chemistry: divided between N. J. Claydon, exhibitioner, St Catherine's College, and D. L. Cooper, scholar, Brasenose College. Book prizes: R. A. Claudet, scholar, Brasenose College; J. M. Hutson, scholar, Wadham College; Eeva-Maria M. Lentonen, scholar, of St Hilda's College, and K. A. Singleton, scholar, of St John's College. Zoology: M. Ridley, New College; proximo accesserunt, K. M. Britton, Christ Church and Beverley; J. Randle, exhibitioner, Lady Margaret Hall.

The senior mathematical prize has not been awarded, but J. R. Kennaway, St John's College, has been highly commended.

St Andrews
The Rev Professor J. A. Whyte, head of the department of practical theology and Christian ethics, has been appointed Principal of St Mary's College for four years from October 1, in succession to Principal Matthew Black, who retires at the end of the session.

Glasgow
First-class degrees
Arts. English: P. A. Maharg, St Mungo's Ac; Helen V. Smith, Holyrood Sec S. English and French: T. Docherty, St Mungo's Ac. English and History: S. R. Airlie, Paisley GS. English and Scottish lit: Elaine Regan, St Bride's HS. French language and lit: Jean H. Duffy, Gourock HS. French and Italian: R. Nannetti, St Aloysius C. Greek and archaeology: Lesley MacInnes, Duncanrig Sec S. Greek and Latin: C. S. Caldwell, Glasgow HS; B. W. Mitchell, Falkirk HS. Hispanic studies: Patricia A. Odber, Hutcheson's GS. History: D. J. Scott, Kelvinside Ac. Mathematical science: Fiona M. Campbell, Uddingston GS. Politics and political economy: M. P. Togneri, St Modan's HS, Stirling.
BMus: H. I. Soga, Dollar Ac.
Divinity. Practical theology: J. L. Bell, Kilmarnock Ac.
Law. Jurisprudence: R. Pirrie, Kelvinside Ac; M. J. R. Smith, Hutchesons' GS. Private law: J. Gardiner, Glasgow HS; Elaine E. Sutherland, Douglas Ac; W. S. C. Young, Girvan Ac. Public law: Leigh Hancher, Dollar Ac.
Science. Agricultural chemistry: A. S. McGibbon, Grange Sec S; J. R. Strawhorn, Dumfries Ac. Animal developmental biology: H. V. Docherty, St Aloysius's C. Biochemistry: P. B. Randalls, Dollar Ac. Botany: Marjorie A. Forgie, Westbourne S; Joan M. Henderson, J. Neilson HS. Chemistry: J. C. M. Barbour, Airdrie Ac; Sheila R. Beattie, Grangemouth HS; Isabella E. Campbell, Campbeltown GS; A. G. Mulholland, Hutchesons' HS.
Chemistry and geology: D. Lennie, Dumbarton Ac. Computing science: Sheila I. McIntyre, Dumbarton Ac. Genetics: D. A. F. Gillespie, Bearsden Ac. Geology: H. Macdonald, Bishopbriggs HS, Glasgow; D. J. A. Madill, St Joseph's C, Dumfries. Immunology: M. J. Browning, Kelvinside Ac; W. Cushley, St Patrick's HS, Coatbridge; S. Fleming, Cathkin HS; J. M. Shields, St Mungo's Ac. Mathematics: Catriona M. Byrne, Our Lady and St Francis'; H. J. Clark, Cathkin HS; J. H. Maddocks, Marr C, Troon; Carol F. M. Thomas, Eastwood HS; S. Walters, St Patrick's HS, Coatbridge; R. L. White, Eastwood HS. Mathematics and natural philosophy: T. G. Downie, Hamilton GS; I. J. D. MacGregor, Glasgow HS; R. D. Tavendale, Paisley GS. Microbiology: W. Donachie, St Modan's HS, Stirling. Molecular biology: Morag Park (nee Gillies), Penicuik HS; N. Ramsay, Uddingston GS. Natural philosophy: A. R. Curran, Carrick Ac. Pharmacology: Isobail M. Macrae, Dingwall Ac. Physiology: Allison J. Brown, Glasgow HS; D. L. Weir, Greenock Ac. Psychology: H. G. Deans, Strabane GS. Statistics: D. B. Edelman, Hutchesons' GS; Ethel M. Scott, Larkhall Ac. Zoology: Pauline C. Miller, Park S.
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Sheffield
First class degrees:
BA: German language and literature: P. H. Allison, Kingston HS, Hull; A. Marshall, Sir J. Deane's GS, Northwich. Latin: G. Appleton, Archbp Holgate's GS. Philosophy: Sally E. Redfern, Keswick S. Prehistory and archaeology: Victoria Mallocks, Dunsmore S; Sheila A. Sutherland, Turriff Ac. Pure maths: Alison M. Metcher, Dartford GS. Ancient history and classical civ: Fiona A. McFarlane, Blyth Jex S, Norwich. Ancient hist and prehist and arch: S. P. Wilson, Haileybury. Biblical studies and German: M. Rutter, De la Salle, Pendleton. Linguistics and Japanese: T. J. Marrable, St Brendan's C; Rosemary Yates, Sheffield HS.
Accounting and fin management: Wai Fong Soo, Bukit Bintang Sec S, Kuala Lumpur. Business studies: L. K. M. Koh, Joseph Inst, Singapore. Economics: S. Birch, Baldorstone S. Economics with econometrics: Karen J. Greenham, Stopsley HS. Geography: Elizabeth M. Rollin, Qu Elizabeth's GS, Horncastle. Political theory and inst: B. D. Mason, Southmoor S. Psychology: M. J. Cobb, Cheadle Hulme S. Sociological studies: Margaret M. Prescott, Sheffield HS. Economics accounting and Fin Management: A. H. Birchenough, Stockport S. Pure maths and proby and stats: R. A. Peters, Manchester GS. Philosophy and pol theory and insts: A. Burns, Cardinal Langley GS, Lancs. Sociological studies and political theory and insts: J. W. Agnew, Itchen S. Geography and geology: S. A. Caswell, Blackpool CHS; Christine R. Dann, Dame Alice Harpur S. Architecture: Karen Bradbury, Fair Oak Comp S, Rugeley; G. Penoyre, Bedales, Hants; D. Southworth, Barrow S.
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B.Ed: R. Bacon; Gwendoline M. Birch; Jane H. Green; R. G. Heywood and S. J. Williams, all Sheffield City Poly.

Hull
Appointments
Readers: Dr G. J. Port, applied physics; Dr D. R. Threlfall, plant biology; Dr G. J. Goldsworthy, zoology. Senior lecturers: Dr F. M. Dickinson, biochemistry; Dr J. R. Chipperfield, and Dr K. T. Toyne, chemistry; Dr D. Rubinstein, economic and social history; D. G. Whitehead, electronic engineering; Dr P. N. Jones, geography; D. Turner, German; J. R. Carby-Hall, law; Dr E. A. Warner, Russian studies; B. W. Pashley, social administration; the Rev Dr J. W. McKay, theology; Dr N. V. Jones, zoology.

York
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Science report

Pharmacology: Drugs and mood

Recent tests on antidepressant drugs may help with the development of new drugs that relieve depression without also sedating the patient. The tests, performed by Dr Elliott Richelson, of the Mayo Foundation in America, seem to show that sedation, which is a common side-effect of certain antidepressants, is based on a chemical action that is distinct from the antidepressant effect. That may make it possible to design a drug whose chemistry provides relief of depression without sedation.

Dr Richelson's tests were based on recent insights into how drugs that affect mood act on the brain. They are believed to mimic the natural chemical messengers that signal between brain cells. Several man-made compounds are now known to compete with these neurotransmitters by attaching themselves to specific "receptors" for the neurotransmitters on the cell's surface and either mimicking or preventing their normal activity.

Two such classes of compounds are the tricyclic antidepressants and the antihistamine drugs. Dr Richelson has found that both types of drugs have a similar biochemical effect on the same neurotransmitter, histamine.

Histamine is well known for causing inflammation and congestion associated with allergies, such as hay-fever, and bee stings. Those effects are due to activation of histamine receptors in blood vessels and bronchi, and can be prevented by antihistamine drugs, which cover up the histamine receptor and therefore block the access and effects of histamine.

However, antihistamines not only relieve these symptoms but also cause sedation, and they are often used clinically as sedatives. Scientists have been able to relate those two separate effects to the action of histamine on two different histamine receptors in the body. The first receptor, known as H1, is involved in the sedative effect, and the second, H2, is associated with the symptoms of inflammation and congestion.

Sedation is also a side-effect of the tricyclic antidepressants but hitherto pharmacologists have not known if that sedation is caused by an action similar to that of the antihistamines. However, Dr Richelson has shown, for the first time, that the antidepressants block the H1 receptor in the same way that the antihistamines do.

To strengthen his evidence for the association between blockade of H1 receptors and sedation, he compared several different antidepressant drugs for their ability to interact with the H1 receptors of mouse brain cells in culture. He then compared those results with the strength of the sedative effects of the drugs on patients, and found that, by and large, the more sedative drugs were the ones that interacted more strongly with the H1 receptors.

Should that finding be confirmed it will help pharmacologists to identify the part of the drug that is responsible for binding to the H1 receptor and modify the drug either to increase or to decrease its sedative effect, depending on which trend will be more beneficial to the depressed patient.

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OBITUARY

PROF W. D. CHESTERMAN
Geophysics at Bath University

Professor W. D. Chesterman, FGS, FRPS, Professor of Geophysics and Head of the School of Physics at the University of Bath, died on July 6 at the age of 65.

Educated at Monkton Combe School and at Bristol University of Bath in 1969 and subsequently served on both the University Senate and Council. He was due to retire shortly and only a few days before his death was appointed Emeritus Professor, an honorory appointment acknowledging his outstanding contribution to the University.

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His side-scan sonar research team are working on a nationally funded project which is developing new accurate methods for rapid mapping of the sea-floor, and he, himself, was a recognised leader in this field. He had published widely in the field of acoustics and also in the related discipline of high speed photography. It is not, however, only among scientists that Deryck Chesterman will be remembered. He was an active promoter of music and the Arts in Bath and served on the Council of Management of the Bath Festival, the University Music Society, and was largely responsible for the establishment of the Crafts Study Centre at the Holburne of Menstrie Museum and bringing it into the care of the University.

He leaves a widow and children.

HELEN HOPE

A.H. writes:

Helen Hope, who died at her home in the Cotswolds on Friday of last week, was an essentially private person whose life still had a considerable public impact. The daughter of George Hope Stevenson, Fellow and Tutor of University College, she was, as one of the last "home students" at Oxford, almost the Zuleika Dobson of her day: indeed, her legend reached back beyond that to the time when as one of the few girls at the Dragon School she fought her way into the school Rugby XV—only to be later banned from it "for rough play".

First the wife of the musicologist, Robert Donington, she was married in 1949 to that formidable Fabian public servant, Sir Andrew Cohen. Both while he was Governor of Uganda and the United Kingdom's Permanent Representative on the United Nations Trusteeship Council in New York, she was able to supply exactly the relaxed aspect to their official household that his more austere nature lacked. Even when they returned to England—and Sir Andrew became in 1964 the first Permanent Secretary (to Barbara Castle) at the new Ministry of Overseas Development—their home in Blomfield Road, Little Venice, became a place of pilgrimage for virtually every actual (and aspirant) African political leader in London as well as a magnet for young men and women starting off their careers in the press, in pub[lish]ing or even in Labour po[litics].

Helen had a tremen[dous] talent for bringing out the [best] even in the shyest of pe[ople] who would often find [them]selves invited to spend a [week]end at the cottage they had on Lord Faringdon's e[state] at Buscot. On occasions that, between slightly irre[gular] meal-times, there was no te[lling] whom one would meet: it m[ight] be a Bagandan Princess, American civil rights ac[tivist] or a Labour cabinet min[ister]. She was much more, how[ever] than a hostess—even [an] unorthodox one; she play[ed a] large part in founding Westminster Council of S[ocial] Service and was for a nu[mber] of years a highly conscien[tious] magistrate in Inner Lo[ndon]. After the death of her se[cond] husband in 1968, she ma[rried] in 1969 Michael Hope and home at Blockley became more a refuge and hospice [for] the young.

Even a fall from a hors[e in] December that same year—a consequent lameness—di[d not] detract from her zest for [life]. As recently as earlier this [year] she was still to be foun[d at] social occasions with a th[rong] of young people sitting at [her] feet. She never aspired to d[irect] power (or even, like [some] hostesses, to social celeb[rity]) but she influenced and en[couraged far more people than] she probably ever knew. [There] are certainly countless [indi]viduals in Africa, in the U[nited] States as well as here at h[ome] who will never forget that [they] are permanently in her deb[t].

SASCHA LASSERSON

Mr Trevor Williams writes:

Sascha Lasserson, who died on July 6, was born May 1, 1890.

His father, a professional violinist, gave him his first lessons when he was five. From the age of 10 he studied seriously with Nicolai Galkin, a pupil of Wieniawski Vieuxtemps and he made his debut in Helsingfors playing a Spohr Concerto with Kajanus, with whom he later played Vieuxtemp's 5th Concerto in St Petersburg.

This city heard him play the Glazunov Concerto with the composer himself conducting, but by then he was a pupil of Leopold Auer with whom he spent 14 years.

His fellow students at this time included some of the greatest violinists of this century—Heifetz Elman, Seidel, Cecilia Hansen, Archron, Zimbalist, Poliakin, Piastro, and Burgin. Milstein, who was an Auer pupil after Sascha had come to England in 1914, became his friend in later years. As a measure perhaps of the respect of his colleagues, Heifetz sent him one of his own pupils in recent times.

In 1909 his Gold Medal Diploma of the Conservatoire was signed by Glazunov, the director, and Auer, while two years later he won the coveted Highest Distinction Award. In this country he was noted [for] his interpretations of the Tc[hai]kovsky and Elgar Concertos; his BBC performances of all [the] Beethoven Sonatas in the [...] drew a letter of praise f[rom] Albert Sammons. To the end of his life he could [play] works demanding the hig[hest] technical mastery with asto[nish]ing facility.

His innate modesty and [lack] of self interest made him a [great] great teacher. He showed e[nor]mous patience and kindli[ness] and he developed the chara[cter] and achievement of all th[ose] he taught.

Almost all the violinists [in] this country seem to h[ave] studied with him at some ti[me]. He encouraged them all to p[lay] better than they had thou[ght] possible, and they all loved [him] —they owed him so much te[ch]nically and musically but m[ost] of all in humanity. He ne[ver] complained and bore with fo[rti]tude the comparative neglect [of] official musical circles here [as] well as his real tragedies, [the] deaths a few years ago of [his] wife, whom he adored, and o[ne] of his sons, and still h[e] thought only for others.

For his friends and for [his] pupils, his loss at the age of [88] is not easily borne—we [are] grateful we could know him [so] long, yet we wish it could ha[ve] been much longer.

SIR DENYS PAGE

Your obituary of Sir Denys Page while describing well his main contributions to Classical scholarship, omitted to mention what was perhaps the principal preoccupaion of his later years, namely the great prehistoric eruption of the volcanic island of Santorini and its effects throughout the Aegean.

Already fully at home with the archaeology of the Minoans and the Mycenaeans through his study of the background to the world of Homer, reflected in his masterly *Homer and the Homeric Iliad* (1959), his interest in the Santorini question was kindled by the remarkable excavations of Professor Spyridon Marinatos on Santorini (the ancient Thera), which began in 1967. Clear evidence for the existence of a complete prehistoric town, buried by volcanic ash in the great eruption of c 1500 BC, was soon revealed. Within the splendidly preserved buildings were complete or restorable frescoes clearly revealing the influence of painters from Minoan Crete which lies 120 km to the south.

What interested Page was the direct effect of this volcanic cataclysm upon Crete itself and, taking up an idea originally proposed by Marinatos, he argued with great cogency that the disastrous effects of the eruption were felt in Crete, and were responsible for the significant decline in Minoan civilization experienced about 1450 BC and reflected in the destruction and often the abandonment of most of the Minoan palaces. His lectures on this theme, published in 1971 by the Society for the Promotion of Hellenic Studies as *The Santorini Volcano and the Desolation of Minoan Crete*, carefully reviewed the evidence from the various Minoan sites on Crete as well as evaluating inferences from the work of geologists on Santorini, and give what remains the most useful survey of the archaeological evidence.

The whole question of th[e] Santorini eruption was r[e]viewed in 1969 by an international conference set up b[y] Marinatos and the America[n] geophysicist Ninkovich, an[d] held both at sea and on the vo[l]canic island itself. Page's co[n]cluding address to the co[n]ference (printed in the *Act[a] of the First Internationa[l] Scientific Congress on the Vo[l]cano of Thera*) was a brilliant performance which delighted all who heard it, a masterly and concise review of the evidence. He spoke again on this subject, in particular on the Minoan Frescoes discovered in Marinatos's excavations, on the occasion of his formal admission to membership of the Academy of Athens in 1976.

He and his wife Katie were close friends of Professor and Mrs Marinatos, visiting the excavations on Santorini regularly, and he was present on the occasion of Marinatos's tragic fall during work on the site in 1974 when Marinatos, as a result of the injuries incurred, literally died in his arms. His friendship and encouragement were also enjoyed and valued by a whole younger generation of scholars, which whom he was always glad to discuss and to correspond.

The second major conference on the Santorini question, which remains a controversial one, is to be held this summer, and it had been hoped that he would attend and speak. We shall greatly miss his wit, his youthful and encouraging enthusiasm and perhaps above all, that remarkable clarity of mind and lucidity of expression.

Commander Ralph Pethebridge Martin, DSC, DL, died on July 1 at the age of 83. He served in both World Wars and had been a Deputy Lieutenant and High Sheriff of Co Antrim.

Sir Kenneth Alfred Leader Brown, died on July 5 at the age of 72.

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OECD gives warning on jobs ahead of the Western summit

By David Blake
Economics Correspondent

Western nations face rising unemployment in 1979 unless their leaders can succeed in boosting growth according to forecasts prepared within the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development.

The forecasts show that growth in the first half of next year is likely to slow to around 3B per cent a year, well below the rate required to hold unemployment constant. The number of jobless in the Western industrial nations is likely to continue rising from its present level of 17 million.

Such predictions provide a gloomy backdrop to this weekend's meeting of heads of government in Bonn. Official publication of the figures is believed to have been postponed until after the summit to prevent them casting a shadow over the meeting.

When they are released this month, the situation will have been changed by summit meeting, which is likely to give a small impetus to demand in some countries.

However, the general view seems to be that the extra stimulus to be agreed in Bonn will only enough to push up growth to around the level expected at the end of 1977. The latest forecasts seem to be at the gloomy end of expectations for 1979.

One striking feature in them is the expectation that there will be an upturn during the second half of this year before the slowdown in 1979. This is because a number of countries, including Britain, have taken stimulatory action on their economies.

By the early part of next year, this action is expected to have run out of steam. Also, the United States economy, which has been the main engine of international growth, is expected to slow to an expansion rate of around 3½ per cent in the first half of 1979.

It seems unlikely that the United States will be able to give a great stimulatory push to its economy over the tax cuts already planned since it has run into inflationary and balance of payments problems.

The United States current account deficit is forecast to be around $25,000m, compared to the $19,250m deficit predicted in the last published edition of the OECD Economic Outlook. The persistence of huge imbalances within the OECD area has now overtaken the deficit with the oil-producing countries as the main source of difficulty on the payments front.

The coexistence of payments imbalances with slow growth explains the difficulties of world leaders trying to agree on a set of policies aimed at boosting the economy of the West.

Because the likely outcome of existing policies is so far below 4½ per cent growth rate needed to hold unemployment steady, there is already an agreement not to set targets at the Bonn summit for growth next year.

It is felt that such targets, of the form agreed in London last year, would either lack credibility because the gap between the target and the current forecast is so wide or would be so low as to depress people.

Instead, the summit meeting is likely to concentrate its commitments to growth on a few countries making pledges to increase their domestic demand above the level which, at present, seem likely. There may be some sort of attempt to add up these expansionary measures to give an indication of how much "extra" growth has been achieved though this is not yet clear.

Problems of the current acount imbalances are likely to be raised by some European countries in questions to the United States about its oil import bill and by America in questions about Japan's external trade surplus.

The Japanese Government says that revaluation of the yen is the cause of the increase from the forecast level of around $7,000m.

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THE OECD FORECASTS

	Growth % annual rate 78	79 (1st half)	Current Account $000m 78
U.K.	2¾	2¾	2
U.S.	3¾	3¼	—25
Germany	2¾	3¼	5
Japan	5¼	5	17
France	3¼	3¾	—1
Canada	4	3¾	—3
All OECD	3¼	3¼	—17

Caution urged over further drop in Price Commission index

By Derek Harris
Commercial Editor

Another drop yesterday in the Price Commission's early warning index on inflation trends—down to a 6 per cent annual rate in June compared with 6.8 per cent in May and 7.2 per cent in April—should be treated with caution, according to Mr Charles Williams, the commission chairman.

He has already said the commission expected an upturn in inflation rates, probably towards the end of the year. This was because recent sharp increases in wage costs and higher commodity costs had still to feed through the system.

Too much attention should not be paid to small rises and falls in the commission index between one month and another, Mr Williams said.

The index is based on prenotifications of price rises to the commission by larger enterprises and is usually a reliable indicator of price trends for consumers in a further two and a half to five months' time.

Nevertheless, the continuation of a steady level in the index—it has moved within narrow limits around the 6.5 per cent mark for eight months—increases hopes of inflation rates being held down at least until the end of the summer.

Mr Williams said yesterday: "Industry seems for the moment to be absorbing quite successfully recent increases in the costs of bought-in materials and fuels as well as the more significant rise in labour costs.

"Time will tell how far this process can continue. The critical factors are almost certainly going to be productivity growth and the level of wage settlements as winter approaches."

The latest Retail Price Index figures for June, due out today, are expected to show an improvement in the annual inflation rate compared with May's 7.7 per cent. But there have been indications that the underlying inflation rate has started to edge up again.

Wholesaler output prices, if taken on a six-monthly comparison, have been creeping up every month since February. In the past six months these output prices have risen at an annual rate of 9.7 per cent

A time for boilermakers to brush up their algebra

Before Parliament rises for the summer recess, the Lords and the occupants of the other place, whether they like it or not, will have to turn their attentions to legislation which will formally establish the shipbuilding industry's special redundancy scheme.

The Draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) Order 1978—to give its full title—was laid before Parliament a week ago.

This document is a work of considerable complexity and Byzantine terminology. The definitions and formulae have been devised in such a way to ensure that no one is in any doubt as to how much money they can expect to receive.

But they are arcane enough to send boilermakers and shipwrights scurrying to the yard's nearest hostelry in desperation. Many will have to brush up their algebra if they are to ensure that no mistakes have been made.

Workers involved in the building of marine diesel engines — slow-speed marine diesel engines that is—will be among those who will qualify. But the possibility of fringe cases tabling a claim for redundancy has been blocked by parliamentary draftsmen who have spelled out in the fullest possible detail the definition of a slow-speed diesel marine engine.

It means, the draft order says, "an engine which is designed for use for the main propulsion of ships and designed to deliver continuously, at a crankshaft speed of less than 160 revolutions per minute, a power output greater than 4,000 horse power, as measured under the operating conditions specified in the British Standard Specification published on 19 February 1958 under the number BS 649: 1958 (specification for the performance of reciprocating compression-ignition (diesel) engines, utilizing liquid fuel only, for general purposes."

The draft order goes on to explain how the lump sum payments will be calculated for those workers who are made redundant during the scheme's existence. It states: "British Shipbuilders shall pay to every eligible employee who is dismissed and who on the relevant date is over the age of 62 (if a man) or 57 (if a woman) an amount calculated in accordance with the following formula: £750+a−b−c over 24 (£300÷a−b)."

According to the draft "a" relates to the amount of his adjusted earnings, "b" to any abatement (the subject of a further definition) and "c" is 24—"or, if it be lower than 24, the number of calendar months by which his age on the relevant date exceeds 62 (if a man) or 57 (if a woman), part of a month for his age for this purpose being ignored".

Around 1,500 shipyard workers are expected to qualify for the payments retrospectively having already been laid off. For the record, the maximum payments under the scheme will be £10,400

Peter Hill

Leyland sell fewer trucks in bigger market

By Clifford Webb

The full extent of Leyland Vehicles' declining performance was revealed yesterday. New commercial vehicle registrations for the first half of the year show that it was the only manufacturer selling in Britain which failed to take advantage of a substantial increase in demand.

In a truck market (over 3.5 tons) which was 12.5 per cent up on the same period last year, the former truck and bus division sold fewer vehicles (7,105 compared with 7,223). Ford was the market leader with an increase of 21 per cent.

But the importers took the biggest advantage of the market's recovery from the recession of recent years. Returns published by the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders show that Mercedes Benz set the pace with an increase of 56 per cent followed by Deutz, 52 per cent, Volvo 45 per cent, and Daf 42 per cent.

Leyland's dismal performance underlines the urgency of present negotiations between management and unions to improve productivity in the plants.

It also explains why Mr Michael Edwardes, chairman of British Leyland, is switching emphasis from cars to trucks.

On Wednesday he took the BL advisory board to the Bathgate, Lothian truck plant and warned shop stewards that they must eliminate wild cat strikes and restrictive practices.

Production at Bathgate had fallen to only 54 per cent of target and absenteeism in some areas was 25 per cent. However, it is hoped that a new productivity deal negotiated with the unions and put into operation this week will lead to improvements.

Colt expansion: The Colt Car Company, British marketers of the growing range of Mitsubishi cars from Japan, surprised the motor industry yesterday by announcing they are out to increase their number of dealers by almost 50 per cent.

Two Bank holidays in May cut output but underlying trend is up

By Caroline Atkinson

The two Bank holidays in May this year are thought to have been responsible for a fall of about 2 per cent in industrial output recorded for the month. Official statisticians believe that there was still a slight underlying rise in industry's output despite the disappointing figures.

On a more reliable three-monthly comparison, total industrial output and manufacturing output were about 1.3 per cent up in the March to May period. There has been a significant upward revision of about 1 per cent to the preliminary April figures for output. Some of this was a result of a better performance in the iron and steel industries than at first thought.

Most of the economic indicators suggest the economy is now recovering after virtual stagnation last year. However, it has taken some time for consumers' increased purchasing power, as a result of higher wage increases, tax cuts and slower inflation, to feed through into production.

Manufacturing output in the latest three months is at about the same level as it was in the first quarter of 1977. The most buoyant sector in the latest three months was metal manufacture. However, much of the 6.9 per cent rise in output in the three months to May was due to a recovery from very low levels of output in the steel industry caused by strikes last year.

Seasonal factors considerably distorted the most recent monthly figures for output. Although some allowance has been made in the seasonal adjustment for a change in holiday patterns it has probably not been enough.

The spring Bank holiday fell in June last year, and at the very end of May in 1976. Easter was in March this year rather than in April, and it is thought that there is a growing trend to take extra industrial holidays over Easter which is not fully reflected in the seasonal adjustment.

All these factors have tended to boost April's output figure. They are smoothed out however if the three months March to May are averaged together.

Intermediate goods industries have had the largest rise in output in recent months when analyzed on the basis of market sectors. Their production rose by just over 2 per cent between the December to February period and the latest three months.

This could be because of increased demand for fuel and materials in consumer goods industries or because of stock building. There was a substantial rise in stocks in the first quarter of this year.

Investment is still not rising substantially, although it has picked up somewhat from last year. In the three months of May a rise of 1 per cent was recorded in the output of the investment goods industries.

Production of consumer goods rose by 0.8 per cent in the three months. Most of the increased spending was on cars and durable goods. Food and allied industries reduced production.

North Sea oil output continues to set records. It is largely responsible for a 2.4 per cent increase in output of mining and quarrying in the three months to May. Coal output fell back slightly.

There is evidence that the usual production index has overestimated the increase in output at the beginning of this year. For some industries it measures deliveries of goods rather than actual production. Later figures adjusting for this show substantially smaller rises in output across the board in the first quarter of this year.

The cold weather in May cut beer consumption and boosted output of gas and electricity. Chemical goods industries showed a strong 3.2 per cent rise.

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Mr Carter 'determined' on summit

Washington, July 13.—President Carter said here today before flying to West Germany for the Bonn summit: "This is a sober time. It's one of reassessment, not one of discouragement, one of determination to improve the circumstances which we face.

"We don't expect to solve all the problems of the world. But we do expect to leave the economic summit with a more thorough understanding of the mutual nature of our responsibilities, a renewed commitment, renewed confidence, a renewed common commitment and effort to having a better future for our people."

David Cross writes: Plans for greater economic and monetary integration in the European Community have been warmly endorsed by Mr William Miller, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board.

In an interview with overseas journalists in Washington he said that Americans had consistently welcomed a strengthening of political and economic ties in western Europe. The latest move was part of this "positive trend", he said.

The United States had no "chauvinistic view" that it should have a monopoly of economic size or scale in the western world. The creation of an integrated market of some 300 million people could only work to his country's advantage, he felt.

Asked whether Mr Carter might criticize monetary aspects of the EEC plan for its possibly damaging impact on the dollar, Mr Miller said he foresaw no "discomfort" whatsoever over the issue.

World trade document hailed by US as a 'dramatic advance'

From Melvyn Westlake
Geneva, July 13

Almost five years after negotiations first began on the most ambitious overhaul of the world trading system ever undertaken, the industrialized nations have finally agreed a document which could form the basis for expanding the international exchange of goods and containing the drift to protectionism.

The document, described as a "Framework of Understanding on the Tokyo Round", has been concluded just 72 hours ahead of the seven power economic summit in Bonn, after a race against the clock.

This means that after days of exhausting negotiation, ministers and senior officials from the United States, Japan, Canada and the European Community, will, after all, be able to fly from Geneva to the summit meeting with at least one partial agreement to inject into the Bonn discussions.

Although this will provide a significant fillip for the weekend meeting, it is clear that the document negotiated here over recent months falls far short of what had been hoped for.

The document only constitutes a kind of progress report, pointing out the area where negotiation on cutting import tariffs and curbing restrictive trade practices have advanced, and where much hard bargaining still has to be done.

Indeed, it was learned this evening that the European Community had actually withdrawn part of its concession to Japan on tariffs.

However, all the trade chiefs from the key participants at the 100-nation talks were insisting tonight that it represented something close to a breakthrough.

Ambassador Robert Strauss, the United States Special Representative for Trade Negotiations, and a member of President Carter's cabinet, described the document as a "dramatic advance".



Mr Robert Strauss

He said that it was the first time in the history of trade negotiations that the world has addressed issues which have been thought impossible to address.

In particular, he had in mind the attempts to liberalize trade in farm products, as during the previous six rounds of trade negotiations held since the Second World War farm products have largely been excluded.

Ambassador Strauss said that the chief participants in the bargaining were now about 80 to 85 per cent of the way towards the goal set in September 1973 when the so-called "Tokyo Round" of trade talks were launched in Japan by ministers representing almost 100 nations.

However, almost from the moment the negotiations were launched they ran into difficulty as the world was hit by a quintupling in the oil price and the beginning of four years of economic recession. Although the bargaining was originally intended to be concluded by 1975, it did not seriously get started until the beginning of this year.

Unless they are now brought to fruition by the end of December, the negotiations could yet prove to have been a waste of time. This is because any agreement has to be sanctioned by the American Congress before the expiry of the United States bargaining mandate at the start of 1980.

The difficulty is that many of the most thorny problems still have to be resolved this autumn. The document, agreed at dawn this morning, says clearly that while many of the straightforward issues, such as the establishment of codes on customs valuation and technical standards, are now almost in finished form, large question marks hang over the really contentious subjects of industrial and agricultural subsidies and the so-called "safeguard" clause.

The safeguard clause enables a country to take restrictive emergency action when it is faced by a disruptive surge of imports. Until now this emergency safeguard clause could only be invoked against all foreign suppliers of a particular product even when some of them were not directly responsible for the import disruption. In addition, the importing country had to pay compensation to those countries against whom the action was taken.

Brentnall chief 'unaware of any Lloyd's inquiry'

By Richard Allen
Insurance Correspondent

Brentnall Beard, the Shrewsbury-based Lloyd's insurance broker acted yesterday to calm stock market fears concerning the company's involvement in a £7m international reinsurance dispute.

Shares in the company fell 2p to 32p, the low-point for the year, yesterday after reports that the group's conduct was to be the subject of a Lloyd's inquiry.

In a statement issued last night, Mr S. M. Elsbury, Brentnall's chairman said that his group was "unaware of any inquiry by the committee of Lloyd's into the conduct of Brentnall Beard" in connexion with the Sasse reinsurance dispute.

He added that Brentnall "have endeavoured to keep the committee fully informed of all matters within their knowledge on this subject since late 1976.

A spokesman for Lloyd's last night refused to confirm or deny whether a top-level inquiry was planned.

However, it is understood that inquiries so far by the Lloyd's committee into the long-running dispute have involved close scrutiny of Brentnall's role on the affair.

Earlier this year the committee took the drastic step of suspending the Sasse underwriting syndicate involved in the reinsurance row with Brazilian reinsurance group, Instituto de Reassegueros do Brasil, until its position had been clarified.

New advertising rules 'would force major changes'

Lawyers object to EEC directive

The Law Society's Law Reform Committee has come down on the side of the advertising industry in objecting to a draft EEC Commission directive on misleading and unfair advertising.

In a submission to the Department of Prices and Consumer Protection and other official bodies, the Commitee points out that adoption of the directive in Britain would "require major procedural innovations in our law".

Among the requirements objected to by the Committee are the provisions enabling the burden of proof to be switched to the advertiser.

The Committee also objects to the requirement that affected consujers should be given rights to initiate "appropriate legal proceedings" with a view to getting advertising which they consider unfair or misleading stopped.

"THis seems bound to require major procedural innovations in our law", says the committee, "and we think these should not be imposed as a side-effect of a directive of this kind."

The memorandum containing the committee's submissions questions whether in fact misleading and unfair advertising is an appropriate subject for a Directive under the EEC Treaty.

It queries whether the subject has any direct affect on the functioning of the Common Market, adding that there is very little in the way of demonstration or supporting evidence that it does so.

Even if the proposed directive is properly based on Article 100 of the EEC Treaty whic constitutes its only legal basis, the committee takes the view that many of the privions are unacceptbale.

Although the provisions on midleading advertising appear on the whole to be broadly consistent with the present law in the United Kingdom, the provisions dealing with unfair advertising "would bring within the range of legal prohibition, concepts of a nebulous kind going well beyond what is contained in existing United Kingdom legislation", it says.

Patricia Tisdall

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	£000	£000	£000
Turnover	38,777	31,288	23,314
Profit before Tax	5,948	6,165	2,187
Profit after Tax	4,241	4,509	1,065
Dividends	987*	624	567
Retained Profits	3,254	3,885	498
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Nervous spell for the dollar

Foreign exchange markets were highly nervous yesterday ahead of the Bonn summit. The dollar began the day lower against all currencies as the markets reacted to comments made by President Carter on Wednesday. He said America would not intervene to support the dollar at an artificially high level in relation to its trade balance.

However, the dollar recovered later in the day

Sterling dropped on the news of a fall in the May industrial output index, after rising earlier in the day. At the close its effective rate index was unchanged from Wednesday at 62 per cent of its end of 1971 level. Against the dollar the pound rose 10 points to $1.8865.

Cleveland bonds

New York—Standard and Poor's Corp has suspended its "A" rating on general obligation bonds of the City of Cleveland due to "lack of sufficient information".

How the markets moved

The Times index: 207.81+1.10
The FT index: 473.7+0.3

Rises

Daily Mail Tst	8p to 318p	ICI	6p to 382p
Downing, G. B.	8p to 230p	Magnet & Sthns	8p to 193p
Dowty Grp	9p to 226p	ML Hldgs	7p to 122p
Furness Withy	7p to 232p	Royal Worcs	7p to 150p
Gen Accident	6p to 210p	Standard Chart	7p to 397p
Guardian Royal	6p to 222p	Stothern & Pitt	6p to 180p
IC Gas	7p to 392p	Ultramar	8p to 266p

Falls

Anglo Am Corp	8p to 315p	Hong K & Shang	17p to 316p
Ayer Hitam	10p to 380p	Hoechst	5p to 490p
B'wood Hodge	3p to 60p	Mears Bros	2p to 14p
Elsevoors	8p to 308p	Norton & Wright	8p to 137p
BP	14p to 874p	Pilkington Bros	10p to 547p
De Beers Ind	10p to 630p	Sungei Besi	10p to 215p
Hall Eng	6p to 100p	Swire Pacific A	9p to 151p

Equities were mixed.
Gilt-edged securities drifted lower.
Dollar premium 103.75 per cent (effective rate 48.46 per cent).
Sterling gained 10 points to $1.8865. The effective exchange rate index was at 62.0.

Gold lost $0.25 cents an ounce to $186.375.
SDR-$ was 1.24860 on Thursday, while SDR-£ was 0.659135.
Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1442.5 (previous 1454.7).

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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.71	1.65
Austria Sch	29.25	27.25
Belgium Fr	64.25	60.75
Canada $	2.17	2.10
Denmark Kr	10.97	10.47
Finland Mkk	8.23	7.88
France Fr	8.68	8.28
Germany Dm	4.04	3.82
Greece Dr	70.00	66.00
Hongkong $	9.10	8.65
Italy Lr	1645.00	1560.00
Japan Yn	405.00	380.00
Netherlands Gld	4.35	4.12
Norway Kr	10.97	10.47
Portugal Esc	86.00	81.00
S Africa Rd	2.01	1.88
Spain Pes	149.50	142.50
Sweden Kr	8.90	8.50
Switzerland Fr	3.59	3.37
US $	1.94	1.88
Yugoslavia Dnr	36.00	34.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

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Lords hear plea in boycott threat

The Government's attitude to the Arab boycott is strongly criticized today by the Board of Deputies of British Jews in its written evidence to the Lords Select Committee considering Lord Byers' Foreign Boycotts Bill.

"The issue is whether the Government and like minded governments are willing to back the business world and give it the basic protection to which it is entitled and to free it of political blackmail and economic terrorism, simply by enabling it to reply to all boycott requests that compliance is illegal under the law of the land," the board says.

It says that there is an increasing danger of companies not on the boycott list claiming that competitors in their field are listed, and it says that the Government's policy of deploring the boycott, while leaving it to companies' "commercial judgment," was forcing companies to take decisions not on business considerations, but on "so-called political realities".

CBI attacks compulsory planning agreements

By Patricia Tisdall
Management Correspondent

Intense opposition to the possibility of compulsory planning agreements between Government and companies was registered by Sir John Methven, director general of the Confederation of British Industry yesterday. Sir John said planning pacts with unwilling companies would "further limit the freedom of action that is essential if companies are to respond quickly to market pressures."

The proposals being discussed by a Cabinet working party and the Labour Party's national executive committee could involve all companies with sales over £50m becoming obliged to conclude planning agreements. Sanctions could involve making government financial assistance available only through planning agreements.

The CBI's view is that planning agreements would slow down investment decisions. Sir John gave a warning that those trades unions which have been pressing for planning agreements would find that, in practice, "they perpetuated difficulties rather than created a stimulus for new investment and new jobs".

Industrialists accept the need for planning discussions through the National Economic Development Council and the need to make individual companies aware of the reports of the industrial sector working parties. "We have been actively pursuing this", said Sir John, "but we shall steadfastly oppose the imposition by Government of either planning agreements or planning discussions on individual companies."

"Britain, more than any other nation in the world, lives by exporting—we sell nearly a third of our goods and services overseas. We must compete to survive, and to do this management must be able to grasp quickly and flexibly at commercial opportunities."

Business is already so badly hampered by government intervention and controls, both central and local, that it can take four years or more to bring new manufacturing capacity into use—longer than our competitors. Planning agreements would slow down investment decision even further.

America increases crude oil production

Daily production of crude oil by United States petroleum companies totalled 8,954,000 barrels in the week ended July 7, up 74,000 barrels from a week earlier and up from 8,187,000 barrels in the same week of 1977, the American Petroleum Institute said yesterday.

Retail Consortium accused of clothing price 'scaremongering'

By Peter Hill

Britain's major retailers and the country's clothing industry continued their increasingly acrimonious war of words yesterday over whether or not the prices of a whole range of clothing will rise next year or not.

The Clothing Manufacturers' and the Shirt Manufacturers' federations joined the battle and attacked a leading official of the Retail Consortium, who forecast that prices on a number of items would rise by between 25 and 30 per cent as a result of the quota restrictions imposed by the Gatt Multi Fibre Arrangement, negotiated at the end of last year between developing textile exporting nations and traditional markets in Europe and the United States.

The two organizations described the forecasts as "gross examples of scaremongering" and suggested that they had been made in the hope that the Government would be persuaded to allow greater imports.

Suggestions that the MFA would result in stortages, said the CMF and the SMF were "utterly false" and both organizations stressed that there was no possible justification for the suggestion that shirt prices would rise by 25 to 30 per cent.

But in a statement the Retail Consortium strongly defended the comments made a week ago by Mr Philip Carter, chairman of its non-food policy committee. The consortium added that the increases, which had been mentioned, were based on actual prices which retail organizations were being forced to pay on forward contracts now being placed

It claimed that foreign manufacturers admitted that the increases were caused by the MFA quota restrictions, which had created an artificial seller's market.

In an attempt to sustain demand selling price, said the consortium, increases planned by many retailers for next year would be lower than the increases in import buying prices.

This sharing of gross margins on imports would in many cases mean that retailers would not be able to subsidize higher United Kingdom production prices by price averaging as they had done in the past and this would possibly lead to a diminished demand for British products.

Mr Carter refuted allegations that the retail industry was using quota restrictions as an excuse to lift selling margins.

"This is quite untrue. There is intensive competition among retailers which ensures that import prices are used to improve the value they offer to their customers, not to increase their profits", Mr Carter said.

The consortium listed details of increases, which had already been notified by producers

Hopes of recovery in steelwork demand fade

By John Huxley

Hopes of a major recovery in demand for fabricated steelwork have largely evaporated, industry leaders reported yesterday.

Sector Working Party forecasts of a 20 per cent growth in the home market this year are likely to prove excessively optimistic, largely because of an absence of orders for bridges, process plants and power stations, and the cutback in British Steel Corporation investment.

An increase of only about 3 per cent is now expected.

The difficulties facing the industry were highlighted in the annual report of the British Constructional Steelwork Association, presented by Mr Tony Humphryes, the outgoing president.

"The inevitable result of too much capacity chasing too little work has been acute competition leading to poor prices", he writes.

"In some cases also, prices have been unrealistic due to the overriding need to avoid laying off skilled labour which would be difficult to re-employ when more reasonable levels of demand are restored."

However, it is estimated that about 4,000 jobs have been shed over the past three years by an industry which now employs 35,000, and is still operating at only around two-thirds capacity.

But Mr Humphryes, and his successor Mr Derek Peters, remain cautiously optimistic. Exports this year are running well ahead of last year's, and there are indications that the smaller and medium-sized companies are picking up overseas work.

Last year, the industry shipped fabricated steelwork worth more than £85m for erection abroad, and the Sector Working Party, under the Government's Industrial Strategy, has set a target of a 33 per cent increase in exports by volume over the four years to 1981.

Home growth, which is crucial if a strong base for exporting is to be provided, will be sought primarily in the private industrial, commercial and agricultural buildings sector.

Output still declining

By Our Industrial Correspondent

Steel production in Britain in the first half of this year fell marginally below last year's depressed levels. The outlook for the rest of this year is gloomy, with all production limited to levels laid down by the European Commission as part of its plan for stabilizing the EEC steel market.

Figures issued jointly last night by the British Steel Corporation and the private sector producers showed that average weekly production in the first half of this year was 404,700 tonnes, compared with 407,200 tonnes in the corresponding period of last year.

United Kingdom steel production in June averaged 405,300 tonnes a week, a fall of 0.9 per cent on the previous month. But the average weekly output was 3.8 per cent more than in June, 1977.

Output during last month was affected by an industrial dispute which halted production for two and a half weeks at the Llanwern steelworks in south Wales.

Vauxhall to see union over strike

By Clifford Webb

Vauxhall company chiefs are to meet leaders of the Transport and General Workers' Union on Wednesday to try to settle the strike which has stopped car production at their plant at Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, for the past three days and threatens components supplies to factories throughout the group.

The meeting will take place on the eve of the next meeting of the 3,000 strikers on Thursday.

But even if the top-level negotiations produce a peace formula it will be too late for a speedy resumption.

Elsewhere in the motor industry it was a day of mixed fortunes. Production of the new Princess Mark 2 was resumed at British Leyland's plant at Cowley after a one-day stoppage caused by a dispute over delayed holiday payments.

But losses continue to mount at Chrysler, Linwood, where a strike by paint shop workers is now in its third week. Nearly £20m worth of Avengers and Sunbeams have been lost.

£254m sought by ENI for pipeline

ENI, Italy's state hydrocarbons corporation, is seeking from the European Investment Bank finance totalling $500m (about £254m) for the Italian section of the proposed 1,500-mile methane pipeline from Algeria.

The whole project, which will require laying of pipe at a hitherto record depth of over 1,600 feet, is expected to cost more than $3,000m.

Value of white fish catch rises 21 pc

By Derek Harris
Commercial Editor

Despite the fishing industry's problems Britain's fishermen saw a 21 per cent increase in the value of their catch last year compared with 1976.

This was disclosed in the annual report of the White Fish Authority yesterday which showed that with prices rising the value of the total catch of nearly 800,000 tonnes, excluding shellfish, rose to £211m.

The total white fish catch rose by 5 per cent although the proportion of low-value species increased considerably. Cod, predominant catch for generations, has been replaced by mackerel, and the upward trend in cod prices is worrying, Mr Charles Meek, the Authority chairman, said.

Mr Meek emphasized that while many fishermen had done well—although not those at Fleetwood, Aberdeen and on the Humber—processors and merchants had been in difficulties.

He added: "It is to be hoped that this success does not mask the realities of imperilled stocks, dangerously high prices and a fundamental lack of control over British resources to which our Community partners have equal access. The industry, in our view, walks a tightrope."

There was a warning about the possible effects on the industry of the entry into the EEC of Spain, Portugal and Greece. Spain, particularly, has formidable fishing power.

The Authority's annual report commented: "The entry of these countries would almost double the tonnage of the Community's larger fishing vessels and, in the Authority's view, it is absurd to suppose that the principle of equal access [to fishing grounds], which bedevils relationships among existing members, can be extended to the newcomers."

On the herring ban by Britain, Mr Meek said that although it was plainly desirable, it must also arouse anxiety that it will lead to fishing efforts being deployed on other white fish stocks which are already more than fully exploited.

The concern now was over haddock, catches of which off Scotland were already markedly down on last year.

He questioned the competence of the EEC Commission, subject as it was to so many political pressures, to impose and enforce an effective conservation regime.

Failure in conservation would mean the end of a splendid industry, Mr Meek added.

In brief

Power generation policy talks

Energy chiefs met at the Treasury yesterday to discuss the implications of the collapse of plans to reorganize the power generation industry.

The meeting, which was chaired by Mr Joel Barnett, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, is believed to have lasted barely 30 minutes. Among those agencies represented were the Central Electricity Generating Board, the Electricity Council, the South of Scotland Electricity Board and the North of Scotland Hydro-electric Board. The agencies are now expected to submit memoranda before meeting ministers to discuss future policy.

French industrial output down in May

French industrial output fell a seasonally adjusted three per cent in May after a 1.6 per cent April gain, the economics ministry said.

The index, base 1970, fell to 127 from 131 on account of a fall in energy output and, to a lesser extent, consumer goods production.

However, the ministry said over the last three months the index has held at an average 129, four per cent above late 1977 levels.

Treasury changes welcomed by MPs

A general welcome to Treasury proposals for streamlining the various figures published on public spending and alingning those used for cash limits with those presented to Parliament for approval was given by the House of Commons Expenditure Committee yesterday, chaired by Mr Michael English, intends to issue a fuller report on the "comparatively limited" Treasury proposals at a later date.

INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT

The following are the index numbers for industrial production in March, seasonally adjusted, released by the Central Statistical Office yesterday (1970=100):

	All Industrial	Manufacturing total
1977		
May	103.3	104.8
June	100.3	100.6
July	102.9	104.4
Aug	102.8	103.5
Sept	102.7	103.8
October	102.0	103.1
Nov	102.0	102.7
Dec	102.9	104.1
1978		
Jan	102.9	103.6
Feb	103.6	104.1
March	103.4	104.8
April	105.9	106.6
May	103.9	104.5
% rise in latest 3 months over previous 3 months	+1.3	+1.3

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Gains in top salary levels

From Mr Peter Harris

Sir, While the Boyle report argues a persuasive case for substantial increases in the salaries of highly paid public servants, it is plain that the grotesquerie of which you complain in your leading article (July 5) attaches also to much press comment on the Boyle recommendations.

Using the same assumptions regarding current taxation as in the Boyle report, it can be seen that a top person earning £30,000 in 1975-76 would have enjoyed an after-tax income of £10,875. If, for 1978-79, he was on the same salary of £30,000, his after-tax income would be £13,840. This is an increase of 27.26 per cent in after-tax income and is explained solely by changes in the income tax structure since 1975-76.

There are various ways of analysing this interesting fact. One of them is that, thanks to the (grotesque) high rates of income tax payable on top salaries, this increase in after-tax pay could only have been achieved, in the absence of favourable changes in the 1975-76 tax structure, by a salary increase from £30,000 to £47,000. Thus, by reference to a historical base (which, after all, is central to the Boyle thesis) changes in the tax structure alone since 1975-76 have benefited a top person on £30,000 in the same way as he would have benefited from a salary increase of 56 per cent.

For comparison, a person earning £3,000 in 1975-76, again using the Boyle assumption, would have enjoyed after-tax pay of £2,290. If, by 1978-79, his pay had increased by 40 per cent to £4,200, his after-tax pay would be £3,380, an improvement of 47.60 per cent. It can be seen therefore that your leader comment concerning the squeezing of differentials is entirely justified.

What is not legitimate, and here Boyle is culpable, is to refer to static top salaries since 1975 against a background of a 63 per cent increase in the retail price index since then without any reference whatsoever being made to the lessening of the income tax burden over the same period. The figures quoted above in this regard also suggest, contrary to your leader comment, that this Government has in fact begun to face, albeit with the greatest reluctance, the fact that marginal tax rates on top salaries are unacceptably high.

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Inflation-proofed BR pension fund

From Mr Peter Hordern, MP for Horsham and Crawley (Conservative)

Sir, Mr Lewin's letter (June 30) may have unintentionally misled some into thinking that British Rail's pension fund was not index-linked to inflation and that its beneficiaries depended entirely upon the skill and fortune of its managers. This is not so.

While it is time that those who have earned pension rights after 1974 may have no explicit guarantee about their pension, I decline to believe that they would receive different treatment from existing pensioners, whose pensions have been linked to inflation since 1969; the more so since the fund's rules apparently provide that pension increases shall be "in line with" increases to public service pensioners—ie, index-linked by statute.

So far the taxpayer has provided a considerable part of these funds and will continue to do so for some time. And since Mr Lewin says that works of art represent only some 3 per cent of his pension fund, it is interesting to note that 3 per cent of the taxpayer's contribution in 1976/77 was more than either the National Gallery or the Tate Gallery received in the same year!

I do not think it is right that the pension funds of nationalized industries should be both funded and inflation-proofed. No funded scheme in the private sector is inflation-proofed, nor can it look to the taxpayer to make up the deficit. If, on the other hand, pensions to the nationalized industries were paid by simple transfer from Revenue, the Government Actuary says that £1,500m a year would be saved. Quite tempting! And perhaps we would see more works of art in our own galleries.

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July 6.

Flights from Schiphol

From Mr H. Gibson

Sir, In seeking to promote Schiphol as "London's third airport" (Business Diary July 4) the Dutch appear rather overoptimistic. They claim 20 flights from Schiphol to destinations in Britain compared with only 16 served from Heathrow and Gatwick.

There are 26 destinations in Britain served from Heathrow and Gatwick compared with 16 from Schiphol (source: *ABC World Airways Guide*).

A comparison of frequencies is even less favourable to Schiphol. Taking two random examples:

Glasgow: 100 non-stop flights a week from Heathrow and Gatwick; 19 flights a week from Schiphol, six of which are non-stop.

Guernsey: 35 flights a week from Heathrow and Gatwick; 1 flight a week from Schiphol.

Yours faithfully,
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Great Britain as engineering contractor

From Professor S. H. Wearne

Sir, In a recent article Mr Philip Sadler (May 22) drew attention to the value of invisibles in the country's exporting, in comparison to manufactured goods.

The trend within engineering deserves attention, particularly for the Government in deciding policies for industry and education. We are still a major producer and exporter of goods made in expectation of meeting demands overseas, but our growth in engineering has been as an international contractor at the three levels of consultancy, technical services and jobbing manufacturing.

All these depend upon high quality of engineering knowledge and skills. All require organizational systems and financial support to cope with fluctuating demands. All need flexible planning based upon maximizing possible gains rather than minimizing possible losses. No one policy for all industry or all engineers is therefore useful.

"GB (Contractors) Ltd" needs directors who will take more and more risks and who can accept a consequent variety of successes mixed with failures.

Yours, etc,
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July 11.

Benefiting from the Boeing order

From Mr R. G. C. Rock

Sir, Can one assume that the British Airways contract for 19 Boeing 737 aircraft will contain an offset clause requiring that certain major components, which our own aerospace industry is eminently capable of producing, are made in this country?

May one also assume that high consumable spares which these aircraft will require during their service life, will also be made in the United Kingdom, if necessary under licence from Boeing?

A combination of these factors would ensure a not insignificant work content for our own aerospace industry for many years to come. Failure to make such arrangements would I suggest be at best indifferent to the national interest and at worst callously negligent.

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July 12.

Advice sought by companies from the DoE

From Mr J. Allenby

Sir, David Blake's statement in his article (July 10) that "only companies run by fools or people acting in bad faith in their negotiations will actually bother to ask the Department's advice" is truly astonishing.

Thousands of companies whose export trade is entirely dependent on ECGD cover, or who supply government departments, would be gambling with their very livelihoods if they *failed* to clear any doubtful cases with the DoE.

Such uninformed talk can do immeasurable harm to policies supported by the CBI, the TUC and the great majority of the British people.

Yours faithfully,
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Vital importance of marketing

From Mr Eric A. G. Morgan

Sir, As we live in a world in which envy has become an all-pervading force, we should presumably not be too surprised at the development of quangos and "jobs for the boys". Indeed, ought we to complain if the boys actually do a good job? But it is carrying things too far when unqualified and inexperienced managers are put into important marketing positions.

I have seen this done by a number of British companies and the results, both at home and overseas, have been disastrous. At a time of severe unemployment, well planned selling is vital to the health of the country's economy: domestic and overseas marketing are not simple and easy practices which any amateur can pick up. British industry and commerce must wake up to the fact that marketing training is essential—a minimum level of which is represented by the diplomas of the Institute of Marketing and CAM. More advanced training is available at our polytechnics, business schools and universities, but all too many companies ignore it entirely.

I believe that the lack of real understanding, in this country, of the concept and techniques of modern marketing is very largely responsible for our present industrial failures and low-growth record.

When are the various marketing bodies going to do something about it?

Yours truly,
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Sending books by post

From Mr Richard Beetham

Sir Miss McLeod (Letters, July 11) made an expensive mistake when she paid 95p postage to send a Penguin book to France by parcel post.

She should have sent it as "Printed papers, reduced rate". The postage is incredibly cheap, and there are no customs forms to fill in. A single paperback (or a couple of slim ones) weighing not more than 250g can be sent abroad to anywhere in the world for only 15p (whereas the same packet posted to a United Kingdom address would cost 18½p second class), and books weighing 5kg (11 pounds) can be sent abroad for only 198p.

She can find full details of this excellent service at her Post Office, or in the Post Office Guide.

Yours faithfully,
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July 12.

Taxation of married women

From Mr D. Rothwell

Sir, Re Mrs Weinberg's letter (July 12) on income tax reform for married women, why should "... married women and married men ... be treated in the same way as single men and single women ..." for taxation purposes, or indeed any other purpose?

Mrs Weinberg obviously misunderstands the state of being single, in common, in my experience, with many of her married counterparts who similarly have short memories. The married and single states are totally different, reconcilable only by marriage, or conversely and less happily, by divorce. The suggestion for similarity of taxation is consequently illogical and absurd and is itself discriminatory against single persons.

I would contend that in any comparison between the taxation of single persons and married working couples *without children*, tax concessions should be given to single persons as they do not have the advantage of aggregated income to assist, for example, with the burden of mortgage payments.

In that context, it surely cannot be government policy that single persons should be constrained to live in rented accommodation!

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Operation of the postal code system

From Mr J. Gombinski

Sir, Presenting his case for the postal codes Mr Noble (July 5) merely describes the services the codes are intended to provide. Nothing has been said about their actual working.

According to the information disclosed in 1975 (that is nine years since introduction of the codes in 1966) "about 6 per cent of machinable mail was sorted automatically" and "introduction of machinery would be spread over a number of years into the 1980s". Although a 20-year introduction period seems to be quite acceptable to the Post Office at the rate of progress made in 1966-75 the full implementation would take 150 years.

On the other hand, given 150 million machinable items a week handled by the PO and allowing only three seconds for the addition of the unused codes, approximately three-quarters of a million working days were wasted in 1975 on this futile exercise, and many more have and will be wasted in all.

Perhaps Mr Noble can offer updated figures which will show a less dismal prospect.

Regarding the codes themselves, it is true that all-numeric codes used in other countries have more modest objectives compared with those the PO intends to achieve. This is due neither to the all-numeric structure as Mr Noble seems to believe nor, conversely, to the inability of all-numeric codes to satisfy the PO's stated objectives.

It is simply a matter of choosing a realistic and economically justifiable solution.

Yours faithfully,
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July 10.

Extract from the chairman's report to the shareholders.

4th May 1978

Fiat's Ordinary Shareholders Meeting was held on second summons on 4th May 1978 in Turin. In his report, the Chairman, Giovanni Agnelli, stated that Company operations, particularly those of the Automobile Group, were aimed at achieving a profitability level in line with inflation "so as to ward off the risk of a net loss of capital".
But alongside the efforts of Fiat, which is planning to invest at least 3,000 billion lire in the next 3 years, a parallel effort must be made to tackle and solve the structural weakness of the Italian economic system vis-à-vis the systems with which we have to compete.
"There can be no free trade area", Agnelli added, "without the same rules for all and without adequate sanctions for those who transgress them".
"Ten years ago we began the process of transforming Fiat into a modern industrial holding company encouraged by the breaking down of customs barriers within the European Community." There should, however, be no illusions that one big market can be created without a corresponding government authority. The direct election of the European Parliament scheduled for the spring of 1979 will therefore be of considerable importance.
"Equally decisive", Agnelli concluded, "is European industrial policy and the development of advanced technology sectors. The European economy can only expect a future of growth if it is able to institute a cycle of profit/research/innovation/profit type. Failing this, Europe will lag increasingly behind the United States and will find itself relegated to a subordinate, peripheral rôle". The Chairman then announced the results for 1977:
- consolidated Fiat Group sales: 11,449 billion lire (9,270 billion in 1976);
- Fiat Group investments: 1,001 billion, of which 803 in Italy and 198 abroad (813 billion total in 1976);
- Fiat Group employees: 341,693, of which 266,801 in Italy (328,872 world-wide in 1976).

Results achieved by the operating Groups:

Automobiles:
Fiat, Autobianchi, and Lancia cars and derived versions delivered in 1977: 1,348,750 units (1.4% more than in 1976). 702,972 units were delivered in Italy (1% more than in 1976). 645,778 abroad (2.2% more than in 1976).

Commercial and Industrial vehicles:
IVECO sold more than 107,000 commercial and industrial vehicles (2.3% more than in 1976). Italian sales amounted to 42,356 units (11% down on 1976).

Agricultural Tractors:
sales amounted to 63,517 units (1.9% down on 1976).

Construction Machinery:
sales totalled 9,505 units (Fiat-Allis), an increase of 6.1% over the previous year.

Steel:
Teksid was set up as a limited company on 1st January 1978 and maintained its position in the market. Total converted production amounted to 2,114,000 lingot tonnes (2,195,000 in 1976).

Components:
the companies of the Group achieved a turnover of 964 billion lire.

Machine Tools and Production Systems:
business volumes were higher than in the previous year.

Civil Engineering and Land-Use:
new business amounting to about 700 billion lire was acquired in 1977.

Energy:
good results were achieved in both gas turbines and aviation.

Rolling Stock and Rail-based Transportation Systems:
demand held satisfactory levels.

Tourism and Transport:
Ventana recorded a great increase in its business in the tourist area.

For Fiat S.p.A., 1977 closed with a net profit of more than 63 billion lire.
The Shareholders Meeting approved a resolution to distribute a dividend of L. 150 per share and to allocate one preference share for every 100 shares owned, without distinction between ordinary and preference stock, utilising the Company's own shares acquired in accordance with the Shareholders Meeting resolution of 29th April 1977.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Puncturing Dunlop's Far East bubble

...don and Far Eastern stockmarkets have ... a field day with Dunlop over the past ...ple of trading sessions. But the moral of ... little bit of fun is just how excitable ... gullible) Far Eastern investors can be ...pared with their United Kingdom coun...parts, and how much on their guard ...estors at home need to be to avoid being ...ked in to volatile Far Eastern, and for ... matter Hongkong, markets where the ...es of the game are so very different to ...ngmorton Street.

...ar Eastern buying has been buoyed up ... rumours that Sime Darby has been pre...ing itself for a bid for the plantation and ...ufacturing interests of Dunlop in Malay... although by yesterday that had grown ... suggestions of a full-scale bid for Dun...tyre warts and all.

...ver the past couple of days, at least 1½-2 ...lion shares of the 131 million in issue ...e winged their way to a "disparate set" ... Far Eastern buyers with most of the ...ing concentrated in brokers Laurence ...st, W. I. Carr, Vickers da Costa and to ...esser extent James Capel and Astaire. ...te sensibly United Kingdom institutional ...lers have taken all this with a pinch of ... and have used this Far Eastern enthu...m as an opportunity to unload holdings ... group which on its own admission is ...ng a dull year from the competitive ...ssures of the tyre industry.

...he realities are far more prosaic. There ... great deal of loose money in the Far ...t at the moment on the back of strong ...modity prices there and Dunlop has ...ply been the unlucky target for its ...rest. Last week it was Guthrie which ...ted a denial from Sime Darby, although ...e links between the two on various trad... matters are known to exist.

...anning the Far Eastern fires have been ... reports of Sime's money raising exer... in recent weeks and yesterday the ...up confirmed it was raising just over ...m on local markets. Sime is known to ... acquisition hungry and the £110m or so ...ded for Dunlop would not be too big a ... for a group capitalized at around £425m.

...ut Sime also has a loan stock to be ...aid this year and under its new manage...t, where the new chief executive is a ...ner Dunlop man which has added spice ...he rumours, a good deal of restructuring ...oing on.

...ar East investors seem to be cold-shoul... the publicly quoted Dunlop Planta...s whose shares have risen only 5 cents ...dst all this activity. Caveat emptor is ... advice to prospective Dunlop buyers.

Distillers

Export prospects are good

Distillers' 22 per cent profits increase to £162.5m helped dispel the gloom which has surrounded the share price since the EEC Commission ruled against its dual pricing policy.

After the 40 per cent surge of the first half growth has fallen nearer to 10 per cent in the second, but the figures have been dstorted, particularly as a result of early United States buying ahead of a feared dock strike.

Overall volume shipments of both scotch and gin probably rose between 4 and 5 per cent last year against a fall of perhaps 3 per cent in United Kingdom sales, caused mainly by high stock levels at the beginning of the year.

Now after its drastic reaction to the EEC ruling by withdrawing several brands including Johnny Walker from the United Kingdom, Distillers is losing market share heavily at home. Industry feeling is that the group's share of United Kingdom business could tumble from around 35 per cent to as little as 25 per cent as a result of the move, although interestingly a combination of financing obstacles on the part of competitors and Distillers' own efforts to plug the gap left by removal of certain brands has not yet created the industry turmoil which had been predicted.

With export business continuing to ride high, however, and industry estimates of perhaps 5 per cent compound growth in world-wide whisky consumption for the next few years, Distillers growth potential seems reasonably good. So the shares up 3p to 188p yesterday on a p/e ratio of around eight and a half and yielding 5.8 per cent should attract support.

Imperial Group

Scope for recovery

There are now faint signs that Imperial Group can see some light at the end of the tunnel, one reason being that the food division will recover sufficiently strongly from its almost halved profits of £8.5m at the interim stage to hold the group up to somewhere around last year's profit level of £129m.

But Imps remains at the mercy of the tobacco market. While group interim profits fell 12.6 per cent to £59m, tobacco declined by almost 18 per cent to £32.3m. The cause is familiar enough: the intense competition and high promotions costs involved in fighting for a share of the booming king size cigarette market caused by narrowing price differentials. So far in the second half this has been compounded by the State Express launch from BAT Industries depressing Imps' market share to 53 per cent against around 60 per cent in the first half and 62 per cent the year before.

Meanwhile, food is rebounding strongly; there is guarded optimism in paper, board, packaging and plastics and the brewery side should have no problems. All this suggests that Imps is capable of steady, if unexciting growth. The longer-term question however remains: when will Imps find a better home for its £300m of investments? Current thinking is away from the "fifth leg" concept and towards expanding the existing operations but opportunities appear almost non-existent.

For the present though a 10.6 per cent yield with the shares at 79½p is adequate support.

● *Meanwhile, Rothmans International's results today, even though they should be better than market expectations and show a better trend than Imps' own tobacco outcome, are going to be overshadowed by the absence of any details on the proposed purchase of an 86 per cent stake in Rothmans of Pall Mall Canada.*

Since the deal was announced at the beginning of June the fine print has taken an unconscionable time in coming and the hold-up appears to be the insistence of the banks involved—Chase Manhattan, Rothschild and Orion—that the Rupert business interests, which hold the effective control in the Rothmans empire, do not gain in this essentially inter-house deal at the expense of minority shareholders.

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...he Bank sets ...e scene

...comprehensive document from the Bank ... England sets out the City's regulatory ...mework and explains how the Bank and ...e law fits in. It is something for members ... the Wilson Committee to mull over dur... the holiday period in preparation for ... autumn when the committee starts to ...ok in earnest about the second stage of ... inquiry into the supervision of the finan... institutions.

...he Bank's tome provides a good starting ...nt. It sets out the philosophical argument ...ch favours continuing a system of regula... which neatly blends statutory and non...tory powers while always being aware ...he need for flexibility.

...nd it goes on to describe in detail the ...ulatory mechanisms which control ...ious financial sectors—banking and ...eign exchange (which are very much the ...k's own responsibility), securities ...kets (in which the Bank has become ...ch more involved recently) and the com...dity markets.

...his all provides the basis for some inter...ng oral evidence in the autumn for at ... juncture the Bank has simply described ...ulation as its exists now, although the ...lication seems to be that it is satisfied ... present arrangements. This is reason..., although it is worth remembering that ... structure which the Bank is now putting ...lisplay is the outcome of radical changes ...r the past few years, some of them forced ...the system.

...thers, including some members of the ...son Committee, have different ideas ...ut how the financial community should ... supervised which include a more pro...nced bias towards statutory powers than ...ld appeal to the Bank and the City. At ...end of the day though, one suspects that Wilson will find, as it did when it dealt with investment, that the existing system operates pretty satisfactorily—for the moment.

David Blake looks at the prospects for this weekend's Bonn meeting

A hazy view from the summit

As the heads of government of the seven leading western industrial nations prepare to meet in Bonn this weekend, it is becoming clear that nothing which they can do will possibly put the market economies of the West speedily back on the road to reasonably full employment and price stability.

We have now had three years of summit meetings and they have taken on a significant institutional role of their own in the economic policy formation of the western world.

The role of summits is to give the benediction of those at the top of the governmental tree to a series of policies which have been worked out for them by civil servants in the months before. (The furore over the Bremen commitment to European monetary integration is an example of the dreadful things which can happen if the leaders themselves decide to take things in hand.)

One school of thought looks on the meetings as a sort of glorified dinner club, where the speeches may be boring but there is at least a chance to strike up friendships which will be useful in later business discussion.

But the importance of this function, too, can be easily ever-estimated, particularly by those taking part. At the end of the day it is unlikely if the personal friendships formed are of a depth which will override the real pressures of domestic politics

A second version believes that the usefulness of summits consists of their tendency to make heads of government carry out at a certain specified time actions which they planned in any case. An example of this is the expected German announcement in Bonn that it will stimulate its economy slightly.

The problem with this theory is that summits are as likely to delay commitments as they are to speed them up. There is little doubt that but for the imminence of a meeting in Bonn the German Government would have announced already that it intended stimulatory measures for its economy; the Bonn meeting has caused it to hold back in order to have something to offer.

A third view, which looms largest of all when the facts run out, is the so-called "confidence effect". It is argued that the very sight of the heads of government of the seven largest countries meeting together will produce the sort of recovery of confidence which is needed to start our economies back on the road to prosperity.

As always, the French have a word for it. At the first summit meeting in Rambouillet, just outside Paris, the official French advice was to disregard the small print of what was being agreed; the meeting was important merely because "it took place".

The Bonn meeting will certainly take place; but it is doubtful whether the progress on the five points which are generally agred to be under discussion will be enough to spark off great enthusiasm. The heads of government will thus probably be forced back on general invocations to everyone to think constructively and to realize that all the decisions taken together add up to more than the sum of the individual parts.

This argument that, at economic summits at least, two and two really do make five has played a key role in the efforts to sell previous meetings as a success.

As the extracts from the communiqués issued at the end of previous summits show, there really ought to be nothing to talk about in Bonn. The main economic problems facing the world have been solved not once but three times since the oil crisis first exploded in 1973.

It has to be admitted that the solutions adopted at successive summits were not always entirely consistent with those adopted at previous meetings. In Puerto Rico in June 1976, the heads of government congratulated themselves on their recent determination to avoid excessive stimulation of their economies only seven months after saying that speeding recovery was their most urgent task.

However, consistency is not everything. At each of the three summits which have taken place so far there have been commitments to conserving energy. Yet this weekend the total failure of the United States to conserve energy will be one of the chief topics for discussion. So too will be the continuing instability in foreign exchange markets. Yet this, too, has been the subject of repeated agreement at past sessions.

The quotation reproduced here give only some of the firm commitments which have been entered into in the past and which will no doubt be made again. Developing countries are, of course, a cause for concern, as they were in 1977 when the West promised to increase aid and in 1976, when the "greatest importance" was attached to the dialogue between developed and developing nations and in 1975 at Rambouillet, when the "importance of a cooperative relationship between developed and developing nations was confirmed."

Another topic on the agenda at Bonn will be the present round of trade talks. In 1975 and 1976 it was agreed formally that these talks should finish in 1977. In 1977 it was decided that there should be substantial progress by the end of that year.

In the spring of 1978 a deadline of July 15 was set informally. Now the hope has been to solve all the big issues before the summit and work out the details by the end if this year. The initials MTN stand not for "multilateral trade negotiations" could be taken to stand for "Moving target negotiations".

All of the above issues are important but they are, in most cases, side effects of the deep-seated problems facing the world economy on the two issues of growth and inflation. These are the issues which the summit meetings were originally seen as dealing with in 1975 as the West touched its most severe recessionary bottom since the war.

In some ways the situation is better now than it was then. There has been a growth of output in both years since 1975, though not enough in 1977 to stop unemployment rising. Inflation is now lower than it was in the immediate post-oil crisis shock.

Those gains are very limited, however. In 1976 the Western nations set themselves what at the time was thought to be an attainable goal. It was to bring down unemployment to a level round its post war trend by 1980, while at the same time not rekindling inflation. In order to do this, they decided, they would need growth of around 5½ per cent a year.

This idea of setting targets for growth was meant to be the great contribution of the London summit last year—at which those countries which had already announced targets said that they intended to meet them. In fact, the outcome for Germany wsaa growth rate about half of that promised for Japan the outcome was also well below.

The Bonn summit will make no such promises. Instead, the growth part of the package will consist of promises by some countries, such as Germany, to do a little to stimulate their economies. But this stimulus will not be designed to get economies back to a rate of growth which will bring down unemployment or even stop it rising.

The only goal will be to keep down the rate of increase to a level which seemed unacceptable at the end of 1977 but which seems quite good by the standards prevailing today.

Economic summits are not to blame for this. The problems are caused by the internal difficulties of each of the national economies and the structural defects of the world economic order. But as the leaders of the West prepare to surprise themselves this weekend by how much progress they make (they always end meetings by being surprised at their progress; they later look back on those meetings by saying they have learnt from the mistakes made there) they ought, perhaps, to ask themselves if the summit exercises of the past have not diminished confidence rather than increased it.

WHAT WAS SAID AT PREVIOUS SUMMITS

	PARIS—Nov 1975	PUERTO RICO—June 1976	LONDON—May 1977
Growth	We will not allow the recovery to falter. . . . The most urgent task is to assure the recovery of our economies and to reduce the waste of human resources involved in unemployment.	Our determination in recent months to avoid excessive stimulation of our economies . . . has contributed to the soundness and breadth of (the) recovery. Sustained economic expansion and the resultant increase in individual wellbeing cannot be achieved in the context of high rates of inflation.	We commit our governments to stated growth targets or stabilization policies which, taken as a whole, should provide a basis for sustained non-inflationary growth.
Currencies and payments	With regard to monetary problems we reaffirm our intention to work for greater stability. . . . Our monetary authorities will act to counteract disorderly market conditions, or erratic fluctuations in exchange rates.	Each of us affirms his intention to work toward a more stable and durable payments structure through the application of appropriate internal and external policies. Our commitment . . . provides the basis of increased stability.	We . . . reaffirm our intention to increase monetary stability.
Energy	Our common interests require that we cooperate in order to reduce our dependence on imported energy through conservation and the development of alternative sources. Through these measures as well as international cooperation between producer and consumer countries . . . we shall spare no effort in order to ensure more balanced conditions.	In the field of energy we intend to make efforts to develop, conserve and use rationally the various energy resources and to assist the energy development.	We will further conserve energy.

Meteorology's magical picture show

Kenneth Owen
Technology Correspondent

A bird's-eye view of the earth, if the bird were able to hover over the equator 36,000 kilometres high, would show the sun's energy boiling up into vigorous clouds over the tropics.

If the bird were hovering over the Greenwich meridian, and remained there as the cloud patterns developed, it would see the clouds sweep north and south from tropical Africa and curve round in intricate patterns throughout the higher latitudes.

And, if the bird stayed there long enough, it would have an excellent view of the way the weather patterns developed as the day went on—as the sun moved across the surface of the globe. If the bird had infra-red eyes, it could watch the night-time weather, too.

Such a bird is alive and well and in regular touch with the European Space Operations Centre at Darmstadt in Germany. It is the European Space Agency's Meteosat spacecraft, launched last November and now orbiting at a speed that matches the rotation of the earth so that it appears to hover motionless over 0° longitude, 0° latitude.

A speeded-up sequence of images of the globe as seen from Meteosat, showing many days activity accelerated into minutes, was shown to outside observers for the first time at Darmstadt earlier this week.

It gave a dynamic view of Africa and Europe, as thunderstorms boiled up over central Africa, air poured out from the equator towards the poles and fast-moving jet streams cut across the picture. Africa was seen to heat up (by infra-red contrast with the surrounding ocean) by day and to cool by night; a dust storm appeared over Libya; unusual cloud vortices bubbled around the Canary Islands.

So much for the magical picture show; what about the science?

The science is meteorology and the problem is to observe the behaviour of the atmosphere over the whole globe in order to understand weather patterns and forecast the weather more accurately, over longer periods.

Using large computers, meteorologists have been able to build and use complex mathematical models of the atmosphere to help their predictions. But conventional weather observations are not able to provide all the information required.

Hence the use of satellites to fill the gap. Weather satellites have been used for some years to take pictures of cloud formations around the earth. In general the satellites have been placed in one of two types of orbit.

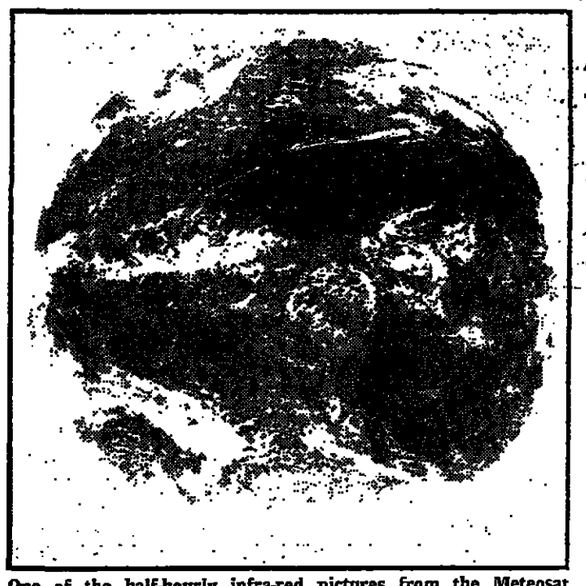
In orbit over the equator at the "geostationary" height of 36,000km, their speed matches the rotation of the earth so that they appear to remain fixed over one point.

Alternatively, in lower orbits which pass over both the north and south poles, they cross different parts of the world regularly once or twice a day.

Meteosat, Europe's first weather satellite, is a significant advance in two main respects—in the range and power of its sensors and in its ability to communicate what it sees not only to its parent ground station in Germany but, after processing, to user stations anywhere in its field of view. It can also receive weather reports from stations on land, sea or in the air and is about to take part in a major worldwide exercise in gathering weather information.

Weather satellites carry instruments known as radiometers which measure electromagnetic radiation, typically in the visible and infra-red parts of the spectrum. Reflected sunlight from the clouds, land masses and oceans gives the familiar visible pictures of the earth and thermal infra-red emission by these same surfaces can be sensed by day or night.

Using Meteosat, the European meteorologists are taking this technique one step further. The radiometer on board the satellite has a third channel, a special infra-red frequency, which responds to thermal emission from water vapour in the atmosphere.



One of the half-hourly infra-red pictures from the Meteosat spacecraft, in "geostationary" orbit over the Gulf of Guinea, shows cloud patterns and temperature differences over Africa and Europe.

As the large, drum-shaped Meteosat (it is 3.2 metres long and 2.1 metres in diameter) spins continuously in orbit, its radiometer scans the disc of the earth that it sees. On each spin of the satellite the narrow beam of the radiometer scans one "horizontal" line made up of 2,500 separate points; the complete picture of the earth's disc is built up from 2,500 of these lines.

These raw image data (representing three full images every 30 minutes) are transmitted from the satellite to the operations centre at Darmstadt. Here the images are processed, corrected, refined and tuned to improve the accuracy of the final picture

They are then retransmitted up to the satellite: the second main function of Meteosat is to disseminate the images it has taken to users in many countries via their own ground stations.

Europe's weather satellite seems set fair to make an important advance in meteorological research and forecasting, as the overall system is progressively tuned to give improved performance. Total development cost was about £90m, of which about £60m was for the spacecraft, £9m for the computer system and programming; and £21m for the receiving/transmitting station and other ground facilities.

Business Diary: All the Right noises • Plate gloss

...se no opportunity of hearing ...lish spoken in London now... so it was with more than ...essional pleasure that I ...led for the Mansion House ...erday for the luncheon given ...he Lord Mayor and the Cor...ition of the City of London ...mark the diamond jubilee ...he English-Speaking Union. ...ere in the City, as well as ...London's West End, the ...ety of English that most ...ily catches the ear is that ...en on the other side of the ...ntic. But then it is English, ...that's something if you ...been along Oxford Street ...ntly.

...ne highlight of the E-SU ...sion, I suppose, was the ...ch of the former United States ambassador to this country, Mrs Anne Armstrong. She was making a return visit as chairman of the E-SU in the United States.

Mrs Armstrong, as I found out when I spoke to her later, had ditched parts of a speech all about the hospitality of the English language to intruders upon its purity (that is, Americanisms).

She substituted a topical attack on the "corrosion of Marxist doubletalk" and "the mockery of kangaroo trials" in Eastern Europe.

I asked an E-SU official whether former United States ambassadors to Britain become E-SU chairmen in America as of right. Had Mrs Armstrong succeeded the previous ambassador, the noted circumlocutionist, Walter Annenberg?

Oh no, said the official. Mrs Armstrong was invited to become chairman because she had been such a big hit when she addressed the E-SU here is 1976, and because her ambassadorship had since made her a national figure in her own country.

On these grounds I don't give too much for the chances for the present ambassador, Kingman Brewster, who is a former rector of Yale, following in the footsteps of the Texan housewife.

He gave the E-SU's Churchill Lecture in 1975. "Magnificent stuff. I didn't understand a word of it", said the official.



...k from Texas: Mrs Anne ...strong at the Mansion ...se yesterday.



Common words as well as precious objects have been shaped by members of the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths, who are preparing to stage an exhibition to mark the 500th anniversary of the establishment at Goldsmiths' Hall of the London Assay Office.

It was in 1478 that the goldsmiths, who up until then had been anything but worshipful, began assaying at the hall under pressure from Edward IV. This gave rise to the word "hallmarking", which replaced the earlier term "touching". The implement that made the mark was known as the "touchstone".

Two goldsmiths who returned to earlier ways and forged a hallmark in 1597 were pinned by the ears to the public pillory. This may have started the fashion for ear-piercing and earrings, but I doubt it.

The exhibition, "Touching gold and silver", will be held at Goldsmiths' Hall between November 7 and 30. It promises to be a spectacular display, not only of historic plate, but of curiosities from the goldsmiths' "black museum".

The marks above indicate (left to right) the name of the person who sent the item for assay, that it is sterling silver, was tested at the London Assay Office, the date (1977). The last is a special commemorative mark for Jubilee Year.

■ Those 200-mile fishing limits, which in the past have caused agony to Charles Meek, the White Fish Authority chairman, may not turn out to be all foul weather for Britain's fishermen.

Meek has just come back from Tokyo with some approving Japanese noises about the possibility of selling the as yet unexploited Scottish blue whiting to the Japanese to make surimi delicacies.

The Japanese, who munch their way through half a million tons of surimi annually, have been so badly hit by the 200-mile limits of various countries that their accustomed ingredient for surimi—which is a highly refined fish mince—is not so easily fished by their own boats.

The traditional ingredient is the Alaska pollack but a trial 34 tonnes of surimi produced from blue whiting brought approving smiles when Meek was in Japan talking to the top men at Nippon Suisan Kaisha, one of the world's largest fishing companies.

NSK lent the White Fish Authority machinery and three of its experts to produce the surimi at Stornaway, and a large-scale trial is now going on.

Some two million tonnes of fish are needed to produce the amount of surimi the Japanese eat, using it as an ingredient for appetizer dishes made up of vegetables, eggs and other foods. Blue whiting off north-west Scotland, beyond the continental shelf, should be able to yield about one million tonnes a year.

Surimi is worth some £700 a tonne in Japan, compared with the £300 a tonne average value of white fish landed in Britain.

■ A strange discrepancy in the Royal Mint advertisements for the Guernsey silver crown offer of a limited issue from their Numismatic Bureau at Llantrisant, South Wales, of 25,000 at £13.50 each.

Newspaper readers are told to allow "up to 30 days for delivery". *Radio Times* readers are warned that it will be longer —"up to 90 days". So who is right?

Well, newspaper applicants are likely to be disappointed. The *Radio Times* advertisement is correct, according to a Mint spokesman in London. "Anything from Wales usually takes 90 days", he said.

But at Llantrisant itself they reckon it could take less. So if you need one for a birthday present less than 90 days away, spin a coin and trust to luck.

The Robertson Foods golly, emblazoned on the company's Piper Navajo Chieftain plane, has every reason to smile at the company's somewhat unusual remedy to deal with airborne danger should the pilot become ill at the controls. All directors and senior managers have been given basic flight training so that they can take over the controls and land the six-seater twin-engined plane in an emergency. What this extra responsibility does to the managers' blood pressure, heaven knows.

Ross Davies

Independent Newspapers Limited Dublin

INTERIM RESULTS

	Half-year to June 1978.	Half-year to June 1977.	Year 1977.
Group Turnover	£13,060,000	£9,460,000	£22,370,000
Profit before taxation	£1,360,000	£818,000	£2,092,014
Profit after estimated taxation and minority interests	£723,000	£450,000	£1,154,154
Dividend per Ordinary Share	4.0625p	2.4375p	6.50p

* Group Turnover increased by 39% to £13,060,000.
* Group pre-tax profit for the period amounted to £1,360,000 as against £818,000 for the corresponding period last year.

R.T. Murphy,
CHAIRMAN

Business appointments

Lucas chief joins board of Richard Costain



Mr Messervy.

Mr R. G. C. Messervy, managing director of Lucas Industries, has been made a non-executive director of Richard Costain.

Mr David Brooks has been made chairman of WGI in succession to Mr F. P. S. Stammers, who is retiring. Mr Brooks will continue as managing director.

Following the appointment of Mr Patrick Best as deputy chairman of Wiggins Teape Group and the purchase of BAT Industries of the Appleton Papers division of NCR Corporation, Wiggins Teape has made Mr John Worlidge chief executive, Wiggins Teape International Operations from September 1. Mr John Chumrow becomes director of carbonless papers operations and Mr John Hangen will be chairman and chief executive of Appleton Papers Inc, when formed as a separate company. Mr Hangen will join the Wiggins Teape Group Board. Mr Richard Green will join the board after being made deputy to Mr Bill Heath, chief executive of Wiggins Teape in the United Kingdom.

Vere Harold Esmond Viscount Rothermere is the new chairman of Daily Mail and General Trust.

Mr Abdulla Hussain Naama, chairman of Qatar Insurance Corporation, has been appointed to the board of Euroseas Securities.

Mr Bill Betts has succeeded Mr Ben Fawkes as managing director of Harefield Rubber.

Mr F. S. Bird and Mr N. C. Haydon have joined the board of Robert Bradford Holdings.

Herr Schmidt wants summit to spur growth rate and create jobs

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of the summit, as in the London summit 14 months ago and the Puerto Rico summit about two years ago are: how can we stimulate faster growth in order to create more jobs and reduce unemployment?

"The questions in detail are:"

1. In the field of financial policy and public sector budgets.

2. In the field of internal monetary stability, that is, the fight against inflation and creating the expectation of more stable prices.

3. In the field of external monetary stability, that is by creating an expectation of more stable exchange rates.

4. In the field of energy policy: restriction of consumption, reduction of dependence on fuel imports, development of energy-saving techniques, investment in new, supplementary sources of energy in order to reduce the dependence on oil.

5. In the field of trade policy: fighting the danger of protectionism, keeping our borders open for imports from other sources and thus holding open the borders of other countries for our own exports, maintaining in this way employment for all and not attempting to gain short-term advantage by sealing off markets on the 'beggar my neighbour' principle.

6. In the North-South field. In other words, more equality between developing and industrialized countries . . ."

Europa: Do you hope that really tangible things will be decided at this summit, which would naturally arouse hopes and expectations, or do you see the meeting rather as an "atmospheric" event?

Herr Schmidt: Neither one nor the other. I have always opposed the laying down of growth figures at conferences of this nature because I have seen that no country can maintain what it forecast afterwards.

This is an ever-repeated self-delusion among economic statisticians or statistic economists who bring their Governments again and again on to this slippery ice. I have never believed in them. But tangibility does not have to take the form of some kind of economic prognosis. It can also take the form of very firm declarations of intent.

To that extent my expectations are greater than in your second alternative, namely improving the atmosphere. But I will say very clearly, and I mean this very sincerely, I believe the intimate non-public discussion between heads of Government, foreign ministers and finance ministers are indispensable and ecessary.

Without such direct contact, national Governments and Parliaments would probably have less consideration for each other than would be desirable and possible, but I do not think that such summit conferences can change the world from top to bottom.

Europa: You spoke of declarations of intent. Would you say which you hope for?

Herr Schmidt: I would like declarations of intent to be reached in all the fields which I have mentioned. They will only be possible for one or other of us in certain fields if third and fourth members commit themselves on other fields.

Europa: How do you regard the reservations of the British and Italians. You said recently that the countries which did not participate immediately in the system would be at a disadvantage. Is that hidden pressure?

Herr Schmidt: No, that is neight pressure nor a threat but, I believe, an objectively very tenable subjective judgment. There are not such strong apprehensions and reservations among the Italians, so far as among the British. If I have read the European daily press correctly since Bremen, the greatest sceptics are in Great Britain and the Federal Republic of Germany, absurdly with opposing arguments.

The British press maintains that it was all invented for the benefit of Germany, and in the German press that it is all to Germany's disadvantage. Since these arguments cancel each other out I am quite content.

Europa: Do you think, to the contrary, that there will be no disadvantages for either?

Herr Schmidt: In the short term there may certainly be some friction, particularly for the Federal Republic. I can see it clearly. I cannot see quite so clearly for others. In the long term, the system offers nothing but advantages for all participants.

Europa: What can the Federal Republic do in order to help the weaker countries of the Community such as Britain and Italy?

Herr Schmidt: The amount of foreign investment by German firms is extraordinarily high. It is perhaps highest in the United States. I regret that a little, I would rather that these investments were concentrated in other European countries within the Common Market.

Europa: And in Britain?

Herr Schmidt: As far as state policy is concerned, the efforts Mr Callaghan is making to combat protectionist tendencies, if successful will be a positive contribution in the desired direction.

Donald Macintyre writes: A "new Marshall plan" was advocated by Mr Len Murray, General Society of the TUC yesterday to boost purchasing power in developing countries and create jobs in the industrialized world.

Mr Murray, in a speech deliberately directed at the Bonn economic summit next week, developed international trade union arguments for the restoration of full employment.

He said that a policy of "enlightened self-interest" similar to that adopted by the United States in the post war years would bring "immense benefits not only to the poorer countries but also to the industrial countries".

Mr Murray, speaking at a Colloquium on Employment and Economic Policy in Düsseldorf, criticized the argument that unemployment was a "structural phenomenon"

FINANCIAL NEWS

Ferguson Industrial's near-£2m specialist printing expansion

By Ray Maughan

Ferguson Industrial Holdings is to pay almost £2m to augment its new specialist printing division. The engineering and building supplies group has agreed a consideration of £1.97m for Harkness, a private company, of which £1.55m will be paid in cash and the balance will be satisfied by an issue of new shares.

Pre-tax profits from Harkwell dipped slightly from £425,000 to £414,000 in the year ended March 31 last but an increase in activity has been budgeted for the current year and the experience of the first two months suggests that Harkwell, which is designed to dovetail with FIH's recent Hindson Print acquisition, should be back on a growth tack.

FIH, itself, has started the year well. Turnover in the first three months of the year to end-February next rose by 32 per cent to £12.56m while pre-tax profits climbed almost 30 per cent to £489,000. Associate income, which contributed £70,000 in the corresponding quarter, was eliminated this time following the successful bid for Hindson and the sale of the Liner Concrete stake to Thomas Tilling.



Mr D. S. Vernon, chairman of Ferguson Industrial Holdings.

That disposal raised £1m which was initially applied to cut short term debt and will now be used to pay £550,000 of the Harkwell cash consideration. A new 10 year term loan from Barclays Merchant Bank will provide the balance of £1m.

Gearing, which was 30 per cent last February, has thus been raised significantly but chairman, Mr Denis Vernon, tells shareholders in the accompanying accounts that debt is still within FIH's budgeted limits and "we still have considerable borrowing power should we decide to use it for expansion of our existing divisions or for further acquisitions".

"Current trading continues to be satisfactory", the chairman reports but, for the moment, there are no plans to build stakes again in companies which might be classed as associates.

United Gas Inds over £2m pre-tax but shares are unimpressed

By Peter Wainwright

United Gas Industries (gas meters, control equipment and heating appliances through such names as Berry Magicoal, and Teddington components) hoisted pre-tax profits from £1.44m to £2.04m in the year to April 2. A 44 per cent increase in profits from a 22 per cent gain in sales (to £45.8m) would do credit to most companies. But the shares rested at 53p. There, they are nearer the year's "low" of 49p than the peak of 60½p.

One reason why is that people expect United Gas to slow down this year. Just about all last year's explosive growth came from gas and electric appliances. Profits before tax and loan interest burgeoned from £433,000 to £1m while those in meters, control equipment and bellows all but stood still.

However, the growth last year in heating appliances included a large recovery element which cannot be repeated.

A second reason for the listless stock market showing is that the good news is already out. Last September, there was a £1.1m rights issue at 45p a share. By December, industrial problems in Cornwall had emerged, but profits of £2m were indicated. The dividend of 5.5p gross is as planned. It only rises by the usual maximum, despite the cash call.

Since the year ended the group has sold Pintsch Bamag. It has also reorganized the thermostat business. The hope this year is that the loss of profits from Pintsch will be offset by the success of the reorganization of thermostats.

Hanson Trust has a stake and two directors on the board.

British Dredging accounts qualified

By Michael Clark

The accounts of Dredging have been qu by its accountants, D Haskins & Sells, who repo the accounts have bee pared on a going concern the validity of which is d ent on the fulfilment of sals for the future reor tion of the group.

The accounts have modified to include the luation of certain fixed the validity of which is d ent upon the approv members, the holders of per cent debenture stock 90, and the holders of per cent convertible uns loan stock 1993/98, the consent of the company's cipal bankers, certain creditors totalling £2.38m December 31, 1977, an licensors for the trans certain licences.

The directors believe there is sufficient workin tal for the immediate providing the approval obtained in the propos organization of its dr interests which involve sale of 50 per cent of its ing in British Dredging & Gravel) and of certain assets to Ready Mixed crete.

The sale of this sta RMC, which already hold per cent stake in British] ing, will result in a cash tion of £2.2m. S & G wil buy ten dredging vessels British Dredging, which have a net asset value of £4.5m.

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Independent Day and Boarding School for Girls (520)
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Minimum 2 years' experience. Interviews arranged in London on Friday, 21st July.
Telephone 730 9191
Monday, 17th July or Tuesday, 18th July, bet 9 a.m. and 12 midday for appointments. Names telephone numbers of two referees must be subm when telephoning.

UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS

THE UNIVERSITY OF LANCASTER
Appointment of
VICE-CHANCELLOR

The University is to appoint a successor to Sir Char Carter, its first Vice-Chancellor, who retires on October, 1979. Persons interested in the appointm or who wish to suggest names for consideration by t Joint Council/Senate Committee are asked to wr not later than 25 September, 1978, to The Univers Secretary, The University of Lancaster, Univers House, Bailrigg, Lancaster, Lancashire, LA14YW. correspondence should be marked PRIVATE and w be treated in the strictest confidence. The Universi reserves the right to appoint to the post by invitatio
A. STEPHEN JEFFREY
Secretary of the Universi

The University of Sheffield
DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY

Applications are invited from men and women for the following two posts financed by S.R.C., both tenable for 3 years from October, 1978.
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The University of Sheffield
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN BIOLOGY AND ANATOMY
BIOCHEMIST OR CELL BIOLOGIST

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Closing date: 31 July 197

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LECTURESHIP IN HISTORY (MEDIEVAL BRITISH)

Applications are invited for a Lectureship in History of special reference to medieval British history. An interest in or readiness to teach some medieval European history will be an advantage. Salary on the scale £3,660-£7,338. Further particulars may be obtained (quoting reference L.70/78) from the Establishment Officer, University House, Lancaster LA1 4YW, to whom applications (6 copies), naming three referees should be sent not later than 18 August, 1978.

University of Essex
TEMPORARY LECTURER IN ECONOMICS

Applications are invited for the post of temporary Lecturer in the Department of Economics for appointment for one year from 1 October 1978. Salary scale £3,660-£7,302 (under review).
Applications (three copies), including a curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of two referees, should reach the Registrar (AG/44/T), University of Essex, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester CO4 3SQ, from whom further particulars may be obtained by August 11th, 1978.

The University of Lancaster
LECTURESHIP IN FRENCH STUDIES

Applications are invited from candidates who have specialised in the fields of 20th Century French Institutions and Language. Salary on the scale £3,660-£7,308.
Further particulars may be obtained (quoting reference L51/JB) from the Establishment Officer, University House, Lancaster LA1 4YW, to whom applications (6 copies), naming three referees, should be sent not later than 1st August, 1978.

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Market turnover still depressed

thoughts that sentiment is tinuing to improve in the k market was not borne out yesterday's trading.

urnover, at just over 4,000 ks, is still languishing at low levels of past weeks and ier stocks generally moved throughout the session.

he FT Ordinary share index ded in a narrow band ,dip- 1.3 in the morning and ris- almost a full point from its night level by mid after- n. But by the close it had ted off again to end at 473.6 a net rise of 0.3.

owever, some market men confident that the index will tinue to rise. Several large s of stock, on offer earlier week, were easily placed

part of the City of London ivities the Stock Exchange be open to the public on 19 and July 26 from 5 pm pm. For the first time the ed options pitch will be on neral view and there is talk market men may do some my dealing to explain the what more complicated em.

there is some talk now that limum Lending Rate could down next week.

British Funds had a quiet sion in front of today's trade ures which are expected to disappointing. Estimates on deficit range from £150m to m, stepped up again by eptional oil industry orts.

ngs were particularly ner- s. After firming an eighth the outset stocks drifted er throughout the session, ing an eighth down while at shorter end gilts traded a eenth each way of an early rter point fall to end an h off.

if the "blue chips" to ease- ing the day Beecham at 660p Glaxo at 570p, lost 2p and rtaulds dipped a penny to p. GEC held steady at 270p le Unilever at 534p and John wn at a year's high of 402p bed 4p. A large buyer in market for ICI added 6p to equity at 382p.

ne of the most active stock he day, Dunlop, marked time at 83p amid speculation over its Far East interests while GKN went 3p higher at 261w.

A weak dollar premium, at 103.75 per cent, knocked Philips Lamp lower at £9 5/32, while Jardine Matheson fell 6p to 273p and Honk Kong & Shanghai Bank tumbled 17p to 316p.

Of the gambling stocks only Coral managed to hold steady at 95p following comment on the Royal Commission report into the industry. Ladbroke at 168p and Zetters at 54p lost 3p each while Norton & Wrighton fell 8p to 157p.

Associated Leisure continued to climb on the back of recent good figures, closing 2½p up at 64p while Grand Metropolitan added a penny to 107½p.

Distillers dominated the drinks sector with a 21 per cent earnings growth adding 3p to the shares at 188p while better than expected profits from Imperial Group and hopes of better second half trading nudged the equity 2½p higher to 79½p. Bats climber 3p to 315p in the session.

A downturn in profits trimmed 5p from Watson & Phillips at 56p while lower than expected figures took a similar amount from Heywood Williams at 127p. By contrast Hollas added 3p to 64p and Diamond Stylus climbed 2p to 20p.

Daejan at 95p and Ferguson Industrial at 110p held steady.

Stores were buoyant with Marks & Spencer attracting interest on hopes of better trading climbing 5p to 157p. House of Fraser firmed a penny to 141p while Sears went 2½p higher to 37½p. British Home Stores marked time at 188p while Debenham, with its annual meeting, was also unmoved at 90p.

Speculative stock MFI, where analysts have been upgrading profit forecasts, added a penny to 107p, but Ratners at 46p and Mears Brothers at 14p lost 2p each after disappointing figures earlier in the week.

Old take over stock Avon Rubber went 2p higher to 208p on renewed speculation while Automated Securities touched 89p at one stage.

In shipping the chairman's encouraging remarks added 7p to Furness Withy at 232p while P & O dfd dipped a penny to 83p and John L Jacobs eased 2p to 33p.

BP bounced back down again, losing 14p to 874p, as speculators took their profits while Shell eased 3p to 570p. Oil Exploration, where there is a buyer in the market, held steady at 224p. *There is some speculation that the group might announce the results of the well, drilled on block 16/17, today.*

In papers, Daily Mail rose 8p to 318p but Associated Newspapers at 167p and Thomson Organization at 277p were unchanged by the close.

Waddington's £100,000 acquisition of Videomaster, the TV games group, added 4p to the shares at 190p, but Blackwood Hodge ended 3p lower at 60p following a near £6m rights issue.

Wednesday's scrip issue continued to encourage G. H. Downing up 8p to 230p while ERF with a capitalization issue the same day held steady at 120p.

In insurance broking, speculation that Minet Holdings might be involved in a potential United States tie-up deal helped the shares 3p higher at 199p while Bowring went 2p higher to 107p. Brentnall Beard, facing a Lloyd's inquiry, eased 2p to 32p.

Equity turnover on July 12 was £81.217m (18,287 bargains).

McCorquodale was 290p when the interim bulletin came out early last month. Now the shares are 255p. Yet profits this year to September look like rising from just over £3m to £4m thanks to streamlining and good going abroad. On a maximum dividend the yield becomes 9.6 per cent.

Latest results

Company Int or Fin	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
Eris Chan Ship (F)	—(—)	0.33(0.18)	—(—)	0.29(0.28)	15/9	0.29(0.28)
Brit Bldg Eng (F)	2.1(1.8)	0.26(0.22)	—(—)	1.5(1.4)	—	2.6(2.4)
CH Indust (F)	12.8(6.2)	0.79(0.62)	6.7(8.2)	1.25(1.05)	31/8	2.0(1.14)
Daejan Hldgs (F)	—(—)	2.4(1.8)	10.8(6.6)	1.8(1.7)	7/9	2.99(2.92)
Diamond Stylus (F)	1.4(1.3)	0.20(0.12)	4.6(3.0)	0.6(0.5)	29/9	0.9(0.8)
Distillers Co (F)	876.1(847.2)	162.5(133.6)	21.97(17.44)	4.5(4.4)	13/10	7.25(6.5)
Ferguson Ind (I)	12.5(9.5)	0.48(0.37)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Gen Funds Invst (I)	—(—)	—(—)	—(—)	2.0(1.5)	15/9	—(—)
Heywood Wms (F)	17.0(18.6)	0.56(0.08)	21.0(0.9A)	1.34(nil)	—	4.6(—)
Hollas Grp (F)	19.3(17.5)	1.2(0.72)	10.3(14.1)	3.5(3.2)	2/10	4.5(4.1)
Howden Grp (F)	—(—)	4.9(4.6)	15.3(5.0)	3.15(2.73)	—	4.0(3.6)
Imps (I)	1,700(1.500)	59.0(67.5)	6.7(6.9)	2.25(2.25)	—	—(—)
Mitchell Somers (F)	23.4(14.0)	2.7(2.0)	—(—)	1.6(0.8)	18/9	3.17(1.42)
Piccadilly Theatre (F)	0.12(0.08)	0.06(0.03)	3.7(1.8)	1.78(1.05)	—	—(—)
Tribune Invst (I)	0.61(0.50)	0.54(0.43)	—(—)	0.5(0.4)	25/8	—(—)
Utd Gas (F)	45.8(36.6)	2.0(1.4)	9.2(6.1)	2.64(2.47)	—	3.63(3.28)
Symonds Eng (F)	—(—)	0.19(0.20)	1.9(1.7)	0.9(0.8)	—	1.3(1.1)
Trafford Carpets (F)	3.62(3.63)	0.03(0.10)	1.51(3.75)	0.67(1.21)	3/10	1.67(2.0)
Watson & Philip (I)	32.1(25.8)	0.42(0.50)	2.4(2.9)	0.85(0.76)	—	—(—)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.49. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. A=Loss.

Daejan's growth in earnings a share

By Our Financial Staff

Daejan Holdings, the quoted offshoot of the Freshwater residential property empire, increased taxable profits from £1.84m to £2.47m in the year to March 31 last.

Net rental income, reflecting substantial flat disposals, fell from £4.15m to £3.85m, but earnings were buoyed by a slight rise in sale surpluses at £4.34m and a substantial fall in debt-servicing costs from £6.78m to £5.95m.

Tax is charged at £700,000 against £745,000, while the transfer to capital reserve was halved to £67,000.

Earnings per share climbed from 6.61p to 10.8p and shareholders, who include Freshwater trusts and family interests with 54.7 per cent of the equity and Eagle Star Insurance with 14.9 per cent, receive a gross final dividend of 2.75p which lifts the total to the maximum permitted 4.474p.

The shares were unchanged at 95p yesterday which maintains the indicated discount of 37 per cent on net assets shown in the 1977 balance sheet.

Cartiers Superfoods allotments

By Our Financial Staff

Small investors are being favoured under the allotment arrangements drawn up for Cartiers Superfoods, whose Stock Exchange debut was oversubscribed 105 times.

There will be a ballot in six categories for allotment of the shares.

Although it is not known how many multiple applications were submitted, it is estimated that those who applied for up to 900 shares have a 25 per cent chance of being successful in the ballot.

The success ratio then falls sharply. Applications for between 1,000 and 4,500 shares have a 12 per cent chance, while those for 5,000 shares and more have only a five per cent hope.

Blackwood Hodge plans to raise £5.8m by rights issue

By Michael Prest

Despite the current listless state of the stock market, Blackwood Hodge, the earthmoving equipment distributor, plans to make a £5.8m net rights issue, the main purpose of which is to reduce borrowings. Pre-tax profits of £18 are forecast for 1978.

Just over 12m shares will be issued at 50p, a discount of about 21 per cent on yesterday morning's price of 63p. The Mary Sunley Settlement and the Bernard Sunley Settlement, which control 19.0 per cent and 18.7 per cent respectively of Blackwood Hodge, have indicated they will take up their rights amounting to 1.5 new shares.

The remainder are underwritten by Morgan Grenfell, and the brokers are Cazenove. The issue is on the basis of one share for very five Ordinary hed. The shares closed at 58p.

Mr Idris enkins, the company's secretary, said that the fund raising has to be seen as part of a package of measures designed to reduce Blackwood's borrowings. In the accounts to December last year the volume of bank borrowings was £55.1m against group net assets employed of £74.9m.



Mr William Shapland, chairman of Blackwood Hodge.

Blackwood has been criticised in the City for its high gearing, though some reduction was made last year. Mr Jenkins pointed our that the size of the fund raising in the UK was to some extent dictated by the fact that 80 per cent of the company's business is done overseas.

One unresolved problem is the fate of the 20 per cent of its Nigerian Capital Issues Committee. The matter is expected to be settled well before December.

The directors are forecasting first half profits of £8.5m, against £7.6m for the comparable period of 1977, and full year results of £18m against £16.6m. If the issue is approved, a final dividend of 1.29p will be paid, reprsenting a 19 per cent increase. Coupled with a proposed interim of 0.97p, this would be an average increase for the year of 15 per cent.

Howden Group edges forward by just 5pc to £4.9m

The Glasgow-based Howden Group, which makes and designs air, gas and fluid handling equipment, has pushed up pre-tax profits by just 5.4 per cent to £4.9m in the year to April 30.

Sir Norman Elliott, chairman, said that the group's order book and liquidity position are sound and it is anticipated that the results for the current year will be satisfactory. As a result the shares increased 2p to 64p yesterday.

A final dividend of 4.69p has been recommended making a total 6.09p gross against 5.54p.

The profits of the group's overseas companies expressed in sterling would have been about £400,000 higher but for the higher value of sterling during the year.

James Howden made a satisfactory contribution to group results, with profits arising from major contract completions offsetting the effects of decreased manufacturing activity. Orders received continued the emphasis on export business and these included preheaters and fans for a major power station in Hongkong and waste hear boilers in Russia.

Airscrew Howden had a very good year and a further increase in profits. The company continues to expand its activities throughout the world markets for fans and specialized air movement products.

Orders received during the year included cooling units for the latest version of the Chieftain tank.

The results of Carter Howden reflected the down-turn in the medium term fan market but there are now signs of a revival in demand.

Howden Compressors on the other hand improved its operational performance with increased turnover and a useful profit contribution. The order book is running at a satisfactory level and it is anticipated that the current year will show a further improvement in results.

Hollas climbs to £1.26m

A lot of people expected the textile trade to pick up in the year to March 31, and a lot of people were disappointed. The climate, reports Mr Tony Lawson, chairman of the Hollas Group was "very nervous".

Against this background Hollas raised its pre-tax profits from £723,188 to as much as £1.26m on sales that rose by litle more than a tenth to £19.4m.

The explanation, according to Hollas is the concentration on specialities. As a processor and merchant in yarns and fibres, and a maker of woven labels and ribbons Hollas products find their way into bandages and plasters, motor car upholstery and tyre cord.

Above all Hollas has one brilliant performer, in Fortwell, an importer of lines from the Far East and elsewhere which, it claims, cannot be matched by the United Kingdom competition.

Hollas further claims that Fortwell has outmanoevered the multi fibre agreement designed to check imports. It saw it coming, and made alternative importing arrangements in good time.

All other divisions are doing as well or better than last year and the chairman's hope of reporting results next time "quite possibly better" than those for 1977-78 seems cautious. Meanwhile the dividend rises by the usual maximum to nearly 6.8p gross.

Hollas is taking legal action against the former directors of Bonas Webb and Energy, Finance and General Trust, its adviser.

Hawker Siddeley's £7.5m investment in J H Fenner

At a cost of just over £5.7m, awker Siddeley has picked up important "long term", estment in power transsion manufacturer J. H. nner. For 150fi per share, awker has purchased the kes held by Davi d Brown rporation and Renold which gregate 19.6 per cent. The sideration includes Fenner's erim dividend of 4.7761 gross share. The buyer has inmed Fenner that it "has no sent intention of making an r for the remainder of the ed share capital". The anncement was made too late ffect the Fenner share price ficantly and the quote had her added 1p to 128p.

cent of the issue. The cash alternative is now closed. However, the ordinary and preference offers will remain open for acceptance until further notice.

fficult trading fails stop Jenkins

n across-the-board improvet has resulted in pre-tax fits of Robert Jenkins (Holrs), the M. J. H. Nightingale r-the-Counter Market stock, reasing profits from £1.31m 1.34m.

This was achieved on the k of turnover down from 7m to £14.6m. The group rds the results as satisfactory sidering the difficult trading ditions which prevailed. All companies within the group seeking an increase in turnr and profit, but trading conons are still very keen. At stage it would be imprudent forecast very much change the results obtained last

e-for-two scrip for amond Stylus

n turnover up from £1.35m £1.44m, pre-tax profits of mond Stylus rose from 6,000 to £204,000 in the year March 31. Recommending a p issue on a one-for-two is, the board is lifting the d gross dividend from 1.35p .49p. Earnings per share are from 3.08p to 4.67p. The up is expected to progress, ecially in overseas markets.

rise of 37 pc at aybeck

aybeck, the ladies' and n's wear maker and retailer, orts pre-tax profits for the r to April 29 up by 37 per t. to £6.4m. This was ieved on sales up from .1m to £75.9m. Earnings a re are 9.61p against 6.64p the dividend has been ed from 4.48p gross to 5.0p. es in the current year to date significantly higher than in corresponding period of the vious year. The group looks ward with confidence to ther successful year.

rclays' offer for C unconditional

Barclays Merchant Bank anunces that its offers made on alf of Barclays Bank for the ole of the ordinary and ference share capital of the estment Trust Corporation e now been declared unditional. The offers have n accepted in respect of 1 per cent of the ordinary ital of ITC in issue on June Acceptances of the prefere offer have been received respect of 95.96 per cent. ceptances have been received 1.17m units of the loan ck, representing 77.33 per

CH Indust misses 'rights' forecast

By Ray Maughan

C H Industrials has missed its seems that, once again. problems in the paint division were months ago, when the group made a one-for-six rights issue to raise £410,000, th eboard predicted pre-tax profits of £875,000 against £623,000 for the year to 31 March last.

It turns out that the motor accessories manufacturer only managed £799,000 after an exceptionel item of £109.000 which stemmed from paint division reorganization costs. The board, headed by stockbroker Mr Tim Hearley, assures shareholders that thes costs are nonrecurring and the merger of paint interests with CHI's existing decorative trim companies is now "substantially complete and the benefits will accrue during the current year".

Most of the paint interests, excluding Hygienic Paint which was acquired last July, came in with the Beaver Group after a contested bid last year. Beaver originally published pre-tax profits of £128.000 for 1976 but the new management was forced to make provisions against paint activities and the total was cut to £54.000. So, CH Industrials has had two tranches of provisions against Beaver—hopefully this is the last.

Elsewhere, the group has performed well. The contribution from the automotive and decorative trim and foam divisions was at record levels and the Cementone additives subsidiary achieved more than doubled profits. The integration of the recently acquired wood preservative manufacturer, S. A. Richardson, is "proceeding satisfactorily".

The net total dividend is effectively raised to 2p per share, 3p per share gross. although stated earnings slipped fom 8.24p to 6.79p per share. Net assets are shown at 44.9p per share, an increase of 63 per cent after adjustment for bonus and rights issues, and the property revaluation which showed a surplus of £726,000 over book value.

G Scotblair buys Butchers

Garnar Scotblair has agreed to buy the Leicestershire Butchers Hide, Skin and Fat on the terms of four ordinary shares in Garnar plus 225p cash for each ordinary share in Leicestershire Butchers. The board of LB and its advisers, consider the terms fair and reasonable and unanimously recommend shareholders to accept, as they intend to do in respect of their own beneficial holdings amounting to 5,000 ordinary shares, about 20.6 per cent of the equity.

Debenhams has big hopes for 1979

Debenhams expects a good increase in profits in the year ending January, 1979, according to Mr R. C. Thornton, chief executive, after the annual meeting.

He said that clothing sales were up 25 per cent in value to date with women's wear up 30 per cent.

In the year ended January 29 the company reported a pre-tax profit of £28.3m on sales of £482.9m.

Mr Anthony Burney, the chairman, said that the company was on target for its budgeted 5 per cent increase in sales volume for the current year.

Mr Thornton said that Debenhams was putting about £30m a year into its capital programme, financed partly by the sale and lease-back of property. Of this, £20m is being spent on new department stores.

Mr Burney said several new stores will open in Britain this year after the expansion programme to increase retail sales.

Mitchell Somers

A listless market knocked 1p off the shares in heavy forgemaster and precision engineer, Mitchell Somers to lease them at 67p. Yet sales leapt from £14m to £23.4m and pre-tax profits from £2.1m to £2.7m in the year, to April 1, assisting earnings a share up from 10p to 13p. Moreover the directors want to pay a gross dividend of as much as 4.73p against only 2.17p. This they say is subject to no further legislation on dividends before the annual meeting on September 14. Mitchell, wherein Johnson & Firth Brown has 24.7 per cent, has itself bought 21 per cent of H. Tomkins. Last year it bought Wolverhampton Die Casting.

Piccadilly Theatre

Piccadilly Theatre, which owns the freehold to the London theatre has had a much better year. Pre-tax profits last year jumped from £38,741 to £68,303 on a rise in turnover from £85,004 to £123,719. The news is good for Daily Mail and General Trust which took a controlling interest of 84.23 per cent is the group in the Spring of this year. Its dividend rose a bit too.

SHAW CARPETS

Board states that as Act has now been determined at 33/67ths, proposed dividend will be 3.73p gross.

Siemens' progress

Berlin.—Siemens' turnover reached DM17,000m (£4,381m) in the first eight months of the year ended September 30—5 per cent above the similar period a year ago, Herr Bernhard Plettner, chairman of the management board, said in an interim report. The turnover figures did not include Kraftwerk Union (KWU), which became a fully-owned unit in January 1977.

Of the DM17,000m total, DM800m were in foreign sales, a 7 per cent increase from the period last year, while domestic sales accounted for DM8,200m, a 3 per cent increase. Whether the 5 per cent increase in sales will hold in the final figures depends greatly on the performance of KWU in the next months, Herr Plettner said. Siemens expects KWU to report about DM5,000m in turnover in 1977-78. compared to DM3,000m in the previous year.—AP-Dow Jones.

Amax in joint venture talks with Falconbridge

By Michael Prest

Amax, the giant American mining company, has been holding talks with Falconbridge Nickel, Canada's second largest nickel producer, about possible joint ventures in nickel. The talks are believed also to have covered the possibility of Amax acquiring some of Falconbridge's properties.

International

A source close to Amax told The Times: "Discussions have taken place with regard to joint ventures but no definite decisions have been taken."

The discussions were described as "spasmodic", partly consisting of informal meetings between officials of the two companies. But is understood that there have been several such meetings and that more will be held.

Falconbridge has suffered badly from the slump in the nickel market. It is expected to make a loss of between $4 and $6 a share this year, compared with a 1977 loss of $6.23 a share. In the first quarter of 1978 Falconbridge lost 75 cents a share, with production revenue down 17 per cent. The company has also been hit by weak sales of copper and zinc.

Amax, by contrast, had net earnings of $68.9m (£36.5m) in 1977 and $16.2m in the first quarter of this year. Earnings last year were reduced by the US coal miners' strike. As rM Pierre Gousseland, the company's chairman and chief executive, suggested in Frankfurt a month ago, second quarter earnings will be even better.

As the world's biggest producer of molybdenum, which is still a large part of earnings, Amax is interested in diversifying its base metal businesses. oint ventures with Falconbridge, on existing projects, and acquisitions, would be a cheap way into nickel.

Industry sources point out, however, that Amax's heavy borrowings, amounting in the last accounts to about $748m out of a balance sheet total of $2.70bn, could prohibit a direct takeover of Fanconbridge, though a dismemberment is possible.

Another obstacle to a deal could be the ownership of the Canadian company, Canadian Superior Oil holds 40.5 per cent of McIntyre Mines, which has 37 per cent of Falconbridge (at February 1977). Falconbridge in turn holds 7.2 per cent of McIntyre.

But should Amax add nickel to its coal, iron ore, and oil and gas interests. the war in the nickel business could hot up. The world's biggest producer, Inco, is believed recently to have cut the price of its Class 2 nickel by 12 cents to 185 cents a pound, and the market feels it could be hard pressed to pay a dividend next year. From havin g68 per cent of the international nickel market in 1960 Inco's share is now thought to be about 30 per cent, and falling.

Haw Par Bros resignation

Singapore.—Haw Par Brothers International reports that its managing director, Mr George Magnus, has resigned due to differences of opinion over future company policy. A brief company statement gave no details of the policy differences and Mr Magnus was not immediately available for comment.

Mr Magnus took over as managing director in 1976 in a major restructuring of the board following the resignation of former Slater Walker associates and the discovery of major financial problems in the Haw Par group.

The company said it appointed finance director Mr H. D. Stacey Ellis as acting managing director following Mr Magnus's resignation.—Reuter.

WGI optimistic

At the annual meeting of WGI Limited, the retiring chairman, Mr F. P. S. Stammers said: "In the statement, shareholders have already learned that we expect a successful current year. In fact, if I were writing it now, I would probably have been even more positive that this year will be a good year. The first quarter's projected results indicate that the group has made the best start in its history and if the trend continues then shareholders should be well satisfied

$500m loan for Quebec

The Province de Quebec has given a mandate to a group of major international banks to arrange a (United States) $500m ten-year Eurocurrency facility, Terms of the loan will be ⅝ per cent over Libor for the first two years and ¾ per cent for the remaining eight years. The loan is fully underwritten by the following managing banks: Orion Bank, The Royal Bank of Canada, Bank of Montreal, Banque Canadienne Nationale and Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.

St Gobain-Intel

Paris.—The Saint-Gobain—Pont-a-Mousson industrial group is negotiating with Intel Corp of the US and the French Government on the possibility of the two groups cooperating in France's electronic components programme. Although a company spokesman said there is no question at the moment of Saint-Gobain acquiring a direct interest in Intel and that talks are still in the initial stage, it is understood that the negotiations involve the setting up of one of four groups which will make up the French electronics components industry in the future. The government has already earmarked 600m francs over the next five years to help in the execution of the programme.—AP-Dow Jones.

IC Industries

Chicago.—IC Industries intends to proceed with its cash tender for Pet Inc at $55 a share. Recently Pet and Hardee's Food System terminated their merger agreement. subject to aproval by their boards, and Hardee's also terminated all its pending litigation against IC Industrics. —Reuter.

Return to healthy trading at Heywood Williams

By Michael Clark

There is certainly a brighter picture being painted at Heywood Wiliams, the aluminium and glass building group, since its disastrous period in 1976, when it narrowly missed appointing a receiver.

Figures for the year to April 30, saw pre-tax profits easily meeting the forecast of £500,000 made at the half-way stage, with a rise from £82,000 to £562,000. This is still short, however, of the group's best of £582,000 achieved way back in 1972.

Looking at the current year Mr Douglas Oliphant, chairman, said that the results so far have proved that the formerly ailing group has now become healthy.

Existing activities in the United Kingdom are expected to show a reasonable increase overall, although the present economic climate leads him to avoid a quantified forecast before the interim forecast in December.

Nevertheless, he added, with the new United States venture contributing for the first time he confidently expected to show a substantial improvement in earnings a share, provided that the South African situation does not deteriorate further. There would also be enhanced asset backing and the board would recommend a higher dividend.

The group returned to the dividend list, earlier this year, after four years gap, with an interim dividend of 5p gross. This added to a final dividend now recommended of 2p gross makes a total of 7p which is four times covered.

But in spite of the recovery the shares slipped 1p to 128p yesterday putting them on a p/e ratio of 7.4 and a yield of 5.5 per cent.

Turnover of the group fell from £1.9m to £1.7m with all its United Kingdom activities performing well except the window making division, which turned in losses of less than £100,000. This position is expected to be corrected in the current year with this division returning to the black.

The group's new hotel and restaurant operating business has made a "very good" start and in the opening month has considerably exceeded budget expectations. Profits in excess of $200,000 are anticipated.

Meanwhile the situation in South Africa remains bleak and it is not expected to do much more than break-even, with a profit of perhaps £50,000.

Symonds Engineering slips back again

Results of Symonds Engineering, the precision engineer sheet metal worker and jig and tool maker, show pre-tax profits for the year to March 31, down from £202,000 to £192,000. This was achieved on turnover up from £1.7m to £1.9m. Earnings a share are 1.92p compared with 1.8p and a final dividend of 1.37p has been recommended making a total of 2.0p gross against 1.80p last time.

J Waddington takes over Videomaster

John Waddington, the games publishing and packaging group, has taken over Videomaster the TV games group, for a consideration of £686,000.

From its foundation four years ago the growth of Videomaster has been rapid. In 1977 turnover reached almost £4m with a quarter of its sales coming from overseas markets.

The company has been profitable from the start, but as so often happens its sales performance expanded faster than its financial base and Videomaster fond itself in the hands of the receiver earlier this year.

Waddington have effectively bought the company from the receiver as a going concern, with the consideration including £44,000 for the goodwill and trademarks, the other assets being acquired

New Life

Good first six months for Equity & Law

Results for the first half of 1978 returned by Equity and Law (including those for the managed funds subsidiary) show a substantial increase in new business compared with the similar half of 1977.

New annual premiums rose from £6.6m to £10.7m—and compare favourably with the figure of £14.4m for the whole of 1977. New single premiums more than doubled to £19.4m, against £7.3m for the first six months of last year and £15.3m for the whole of that year. New sums assured expanded from £376m to £475m and compare with £778m for the 1977 full year.

The substantial increase in single premiums resulted almost entirely from the society's success in marketing investment boods and the opportune timing of an offer of guaranteed growth and income bonds, although group pension business also contributed £1.5m.

Sun Life Group

Total new annual premium income of the Sun Life Assurance Group for the first six months of 1978 rose by 55 per cent to £14.4m, while single premiums increased by 31 per cent to £15.2m. The pensions market has been particularly buoyant largely as a consequence of the Social Security Pensions Act, 1975, becoming operative from April 6, 1978.

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"Our splendid relationship with our main customers continues, and we are confident in our ability to hold or improve our position in the industry"

Mr. D. Styles, Chairman

The following are salient points from the Chairman's Statement to Shareholders:

- Group profits for the year ended 31st March, 1978 amounted to £631,742 (£509,100). Taxation takes £324,828 (£276,188) leaving a net profit of £306,914 (£232,912).
- On 23rd January 1978, we paid an interim dividend of 1.25 pence per share, and we now recommend a final dividend of 2.423 pence per share, this being the maximum allowed under present legislation.
- Most Divisions are reasonably busy, and we are optimistic regarding Autumn trading. The Company continues its policy of re-equipping and re-organising where necessary. At the present time most of our expenditure and re-organisation is going on in our Dyehouse. This work will soon be completed and will yield advantages to the Company both in work-flow and cost-saving. Overall we also continue our policy of gradual expansion.

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Briefly

GEN FUNDS INVST TRUST
Company has announced an interim dividend of 2.9p gross against 2.2p gross. Increased payment is being made to reduce disparity between interim and final dividends.

HALL AND HAM RIVER
Turnover for year to December 31, 1977, was £78.9m (£73.1m). Pre-tax profit was £4.6m (£3.2m).

JACKSONS BOURNE END
Pre-tax profit for year to April 1. £157,000 (£26,000 loss) and not as stated yesterday.

TRIBUNE INVST TRUST
Revenue for six months to June 30 was £616,000 (£501,800). Pre-tax profit was £548,400 (£436,400). Interim dividend is 0.81p gross (0.59p gross).

TRAFFORD CARPETS HLDGS
Turnover to year to March 31 is £3.62m (£3.63m). Pre-tax profit was £32,300 (£109,800). Earnings per share were 1.51p (3.75p). Final dividend is 1.0p gross (1.8p gross) making a total of 2.4p gross (3.0p gross).

BRITISH BUILDING AND ENG
Sales for year to March 31 were £2.1m (£1.8m). Pre-tax profit was £260,000 (£223,800). Final dividend is 2.3p gross (2.0p gross) making a total of 3.8p gross (3.5p gross).

ASSOCIATED BOOK
Associated Book Publishers is proposing the repayment of the outstanding £338.886 nominal of its 7½ per cent Debenture Stock 1985/90 at a price of £90 per cent, together with interest accrued to the date of repayment.

CORNERCROFT
In letter to shareholders, chairman states that with regards to offer by Armstrong Equipment, board's view and that of its advisers, County Bank, it would not be in shareholders' interests to remain as a minority.

CITY OF BUENOS AIRES TRAMWAYS
Liquidator is now holding sufficient funds to enable him to make a further distribution in the liquidation of company. Eleventh distribution will be at rate of 11.17p per share.

BSG—W RIBBONS
BSG International no longer has a declarable interest in "W" Ribbons Holdings' ordinary shares (previously 29.9 per cent). Shares sold have been placed by Smith Keen Cutler with institutional clients.

Commodities

COPPER was very steady.—Afternoon. Cash wire bars, £711-11.50 a metric ton; three months, £732-32.50. Sales, 6,000 tons. Cash cathodes, £707-708; three months, £728-729. Sales, 150 tons. Morning.—Cash wire bars, £711-11.50; three months, £731.50-32.00. Settlement, £711.50. Sales, 10,750 tons. Cash cathodes, £707-07.50; three months £727-28. Settlement, £707.50. Sales, 1,800 tons. **SILVER** was steady.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 281.0p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 532.4); three months, 288.2p (542.8c); six months, 296.6p (558.0c); one year, 312.7p (577.6c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash, 281.6-81.7p; three months, 288.7-88.8p. Sales, 28 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 281.4-81.6p; three months, 288.6-88.7p. Settlement, 281.6p. Sales, 73 lots. **TIN** was firmer standard cash gaining £70 and three months putting on £71.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £6,680-90 a metric ton; three months, £6,615-20. Sales, 450 tons. High grade, cash £6,680-90; three months, £6,625-45. Sales, nil tons. Morning.—Standard cash, £6,665-75; three months, £6,580-90. Settlement, £6,675. Sales, 565 tons. High grade, cash, £6,665-80; three months, £6,595-6,610. Settlement, £6,630. Sales, 90 tons. Singapore tin ex-works, SM 1,727 a picul. **LEAD** was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £314-315 per metric ton; three months, £323-23.50. Sales, 1,775 tons. Morning.—Cash, £314.50-15.00; three months, £323-23.50. Settlement, £315. Sales, 2,650 tons. **ZINC** was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £314.50-15.50 a metric ton; three months, £325.50-26.50. Sales, 1,950 tons. Morning.—Cash, £312.75-13.00; three months, £323.50-24.00. Settlement: £313. Sales: 2,500 tons. All afternoon prices are unofficial. **PLATINUM** was at £139.55 ($244.50) a troy ounce. **RUBBER** was steadier (pence per kilo).—Aug 54-55; Sept 54.65-55.25; Oct-Dec 56.50-56.75; Jan-March 58.45-58.50; April-June 60.40-60.50; July-Sept 62.20-62.40; Oct-Dec 64.25-64.30; Jan-March 66.05-66.10; April-June 67.80-68.00. Sales: 7 lots at 5 tonnes; 110 at 15 tonnes.

RUBBER PHYSICALS were steadier.—Spot 53.50-54.75. Cifs. Aug 55.75-56.00; Sept 56-56.50.

COFFEE: Robustas were firmer: arabicas were dull.—**ROBUSTAS** (£ per metric ton): July, 1395-98; Sept, 1317-19; Nov, 1257-58; Jan, 1200-04; March, 1151-55; May, 1131-40; July, 1110-30. Sales: 2,381 lots including 52 options.

ARABICAS ($ per 50 kilos): Aug, 161-66; Oct, 146-55; Dec, 137-45; Feb, 135-39; April, 127-36; June, 125-35; Aug, 125-35. Sales, 3 lots.

COCOA was barely steady (£ per metric ton).—July, 1685-92; Sept, 1704-07; Dec, 1693.50-99.00; March, 1683-84; May, 1672.50-74.50; July, 1658-63; Sept, 1630-50. Sales: 3,237 lots including 7 options. ICCO prices: daily, 140.06c; 15-day average, 141.35c; 22-day average, 139.04c (US cents per lb).

SUGAR: The London daily price of "raws" was £3 lower at £86; the "whites" price was unchanged at £98. Futures were very steady (£ per metric ton).—Aug, 88-88.10; Oct, 89.45-89.55; Dec, 91.60-91.90; March, 97.75-97.80; May, 100-100.50; Aug, 103.25-03.75; Oct, 107-07.75. Sales: 3,587 lots. ISA prices: 6.65c; 15-day average 6.82c.

SOYABEAN MEAL was steady (£ per metric ton).—Aug, 117.00-17.90; Oct, 118.80-19.00; Dec, 117.30-17.40; Feb, 118.20-18.90; April, 118.50-20.50; June, 118-22; Aug, 119-24. Sales: 64 lots.

WOOL: Greasy futures were steady (pence per kilo). July, 230-35; Oct, 230-42; Dec, 244-46; March, 247-50; May, 248-52; July, 249-52; Oct, 248-55; Dec, 248-55. Sales: 5 lots.

JUTE was steady.—Bangladesh white "C" grade, Sept-Oct, $475 per long ton. "D" grade, Sept-Oct, $459. Calcutta was steady.—Indian, spot, Rs650 per bale of 400lb. Dundee Tossa Four, spot, Rs630.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—**WHEAT**.—Canadian western red spring No 1, 13½ per cent: July and Aug, £91.75 Tilbury. US dark northern spring No 2, 14 per cent: Aug, £81; Sept, £81.75 trans-shipment east coast sellers. **MAIZE**.—No 3 yellow American/French: July, £103; Aug, £98.75; Sept, £100 trans-shipment east coast sellers. South African white: Aug, £69 Liverpool/Glasgow. South African yellow: Aug, £69 Liverpool/Glasgow. **BARLEY** was unquoted. All per tonne cif UK unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta). EEC origin.—**BARLEY** was steady. Sept, £79.40; Nov, £82.10; Jan, £84.85; March, £87.40; May, £90.05. Sales: 209 lots.

WHEAT was steady. Sept, £84.10; Nov, £86.70; Jan, £89.55; March, £92.20; May, £94.90. Sales: 141 lots.

Home-Grown Cereal Authority.—Location ex-farm spot prices.—Feed BARLEY. South Lincs, £80.10; Wilts., £81.70.

MEAT COMMISSION: Average fatstock prices at representative markets on July 13.—**GB**: Cattle, 72.67p per kglw (+0.19). **UK**: Sheep, 142.4p per kgestdcw (—1.1). **GB**: Pigs, 64.6p per kglw (+1.5). **England and Wales**: Cattle numbers up 0.4 per cent, average price 72.67p (+0.43). Sheep numbers up 4.0 per cent, average price 143.3p (—0.6). Pig numbers down 7.8 per cent, average price 61.6p (+1.3). **Scotland**: Cattle numbers down 11.2 per cent, average price 72.66p (—0.31). Sheep numbers up 9.2 per cent, average price 131.5p (—3.3).

Foreign Exchange

Sterling lost almost all of its early strength in continuing thin and nervous currency trading yesterday. The pound closed 10 points up at $1.8865, while the effective exchange rate index was finally unchanged at 62.0. Sterling was over one cent higher against the dollar at one time and at noon, the effective index stood at 6.22, the highest since April 12.

President Carter's remarks about their being no US intervention to keep the dollar at artificial levels drove the American currency down initially.

Gold lost $0.25 cents to close in London at $186.375.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) July 13	Market rates (close) July 13
New York	$1.8840-8865	$1.8860-8870
Montreal	$2.1238-1265	$2.1230-1239
Amsterdam	4.18-19fl	4.17½-18½fl
Brussels	61.85-61.25f	61.05-10f
Copenhagen	10.57-61k	10.57½-58½k
Frankfurt	3.86-8½m	3.86½-86½m
Lisbon	85.65-86.50e	85.70-86.00e
Madrid	146.15-60p	146.25-30p
Milan	1597-1606lr	1598-99lr
Oslo	10.17-22k	10.17½-18½k
Paris	8.37-43f	8.37½-38½f
Stockholm	8.56½-61½k	8.58-59k
Tokyo	378-388y	382-384y
Vienna	27.90-28.10sch	27.90-28.00sch
Zurich	3.4½-43½f	3.41½-42½f

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, 1971, was unchanged at 62.0.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.50-.40c prem	1.27-1.17c prem
Montreal	.60-.55c prem	1.55-1.45c prem
Amsterdam	2½-1½c prem	6½-5½c prem
Brussels	35-25c prem	85-75c prem
Copenhagen	1¼-3¼ore disc	7-9ore disc
Frankfurt	2½-1½pf prem	8-7pf prem
Lisbon	35-135c disc	105-475c disc
Madrid	20c prem-10c disc	par-80c disc
Milan	1-3lr disc	4-6lr disc
Oslo	par-2ore disc	1½-3½ore disc
Paris	1½-½c prem	3½-2½c prem
Stockholm	1½ore prem-½ore disc	3½-1½ore prem
Vienna	15-5gro prem	45-35gro prem
Zurich	3-2c prem	8½-7½c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar), $1.8885-8.

Euro-$ Deposits

Calls, 7½-8; seven days, 7½-8½; one month, 8½-8¾; three months, 8¾-8¾; six months, 9-9¼.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $186.70 (an ounce); pm, $186.70.

Krugerrand (per coin): non-resident, $191½-193½ (£101½-102½); resident, $192½-194½ (£102-103).

Sovereigns (new): non-resident, $53½-55½ (£28½-29½); resident, $55½-57½ (£29½-30½).

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 10%
(Last changed 8/6/78)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 10%
Discount Mkt Loans%
Overnight: High 10 Low 8½
Week Fixed: 9½-9¾

Treasury Bills (Dis%)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	9¼	2 months	9⅛
3 months	9¼	3 months	9⅛

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%) / Trades (Dis%)

2 months	9½-9¼	3 months	10¼
3 months	9¾-9⅝	4 months	10½
4 months	9⅝-9½	6 months	10¾
6 months	9½-9¼		

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	10¼-10	7 months	9¾-9½
2 months	9¾-9½	8 months	9¾-9½
3 months	9¾-9½	9 months	10¼-9½
4 months	9¾-9½	10 months	10¼-9¾
5 months	9¾-9½	11 months	10¼-9¾
6 months	9¾-9½	12 months	10¼-9¾

Secondary Mkt. £CD Rates (%)

1 month	10¼-10	6 months	10¼-10
3 months	10¼-9¾	12 months	10½-10¼

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	10	3 months	9⅞
7 days	10	6 months	10¼
1 month	9¾	1 year	10¼

Interbank Market (%)
Overnight: Open 10¼-10½ Close 9

1 week	10¼-10¼	6 months	10½-10¼
1 month	10¼-10¼	9 months	10½-10¼
3 months	10¼-10¼	12 months	10½-10¾

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate%)
3 months 10½ 6 months 10¾

Finance House Base Rate 10½%

Discount market

Though the shortage on Lombard Street yesterday was less severe, the authorities again gave assistance that proved in the event to have been very much overdone. Lending a very large sum overnight to six or seven houses at MLR (10 per cent) and buying small amounts of Treasury bills and of local authority bills, the Bank of England helped on a scale that was extremey large overall. Part of the small package of bills purchased was conditional on future re-sale to the houses.

It proved a very quiet session. Clearing banks were not doing much. Over most of the day, houses kept their bids around 9¾ per cent or 9½ per cent and saw very little money.

Options

Punting July options, which have only a week left to run, gave the traded options market its second best day yesterday with turnover reaching 970 contracts.

A new series in Consolidated Goldfields, at 200p, has been announced but there will be no July class introduced.

ICI was again the most actively traded stock with 277 contracts, but Marks & Spencer, where the underlying equity price rose 5p, saw some interest with 163 deals.

In the conventional options market UDT continued to attract option buyers. Call options have been taken out almost every day for the past three weeks, in this stock, and yesterday was no exception.

Interest also surrounded the gambling stocks of Ladbrokes and Coral following their slump in the equity market.

Wall Street

New York, July 13.—Stocks continued lower in moderate trading this morning. Declines led advances about four-to-three and the Dow Jones industrial average was off four points. Volume was over six million shares.

On Wednesday the market rolled to its fifth winning session in a row, despite some late profit-taking.

Investor interest was primarily evident in three areas: oil and gas exploration, gambling casinos and a string of generally favourable second quarter earnings reports.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which had gained more than 15 points in the previous four sessions, rose another 3.64 to close at 824.93.

Advancing issues outnumbered those declining by about 885 to about 520. Volume totalled 26,630,000 shares.

Silver closes 1.3c up

New York, July 12.—**COMEX SILVER** futures steadied toward the close on late local short-covering to finish 1.50 to 0.10 cents up on the day, dealers said. July, 527.80c; Aug, 530.10c; Sept, 533.90c; Dec, 545.60c; Jan, 549.60c; March, 557.80c; May, 566.50c; July, 575.30c; Sept, 584.30c; Dec, 597.70c; Jan, 602.50c; March, 611.40c; May, 620.80c. Handy and Harman of Canada. Can $6.928 (previous Can$6.896).

GOLD futures were: NY COMEX: July, $186.50; Aug, $187.20; Sept, $189.00; Oct, $190.10; Dec, $193.10; Feb, $196.20; April, $199.30; June, $203.50; Aug, $205.70; Oct, $208.90; Dec, $212.10; Feb, $215.50; April, $218.50. CHICAGO IMM: Sept, $188.70-189.00; Dec, $193.00-193.30; March, $197.50-197.70; June, $202.00-202.10; Sept, $207.10; Dec, $211.20; March, $216.50.

COPPER futures closed steady 10 points up. July, 61.00c; Aug, 61.10c; Sept, 62.00c; Dec, 63.80c; Jan, 64.40c; March, 65.50c; May, 66.50c; July, 67.60c; Sept, 68.50c; Dec, 69.90c; Jan, 70.40c; March, 71.40c; May, 72.40c.

SUGAR futures in No 11 contract were: Sept, 6.47-49c; Oct, 6.60-61c; Jan, 7.00-15c; March, 7.28-30c; May 7.37-40c; July, 7.68-69c; Sept, 7.84-85c; Oct, 7.95-97c.

COTTON futures were: Oct, 59.80-90c; Dec, 61.72-80c; March, 63.20-25c; May, 64.20-25c; July, 65.19-25c; Oct, 64.60c bid; Dec, 64.25c bid.

COFFEE futures pared losses in late dealings on light mixed buying, traders said. Nearby prices closed 1.95 to 0.25 cents lower with spot July down 2.94 cents at 116.50 cents. Estimated volume was 451 lots.

COCOA futures were: July, 144.25c; Sept, 139.95c; Dec, 136.50c; March, 133.70c; May, 131.55c; July, 129.50c; Sept, 127.55c; Dec, 125.75c.

CHICAGO SOYABEANS. Oil prices closed off 0.16 cent in the nearby to 0.05 cent higher. Meal prices ranged from $1.20 a ton lower in the nearby to off $0.10. **SOYABEANS.** July, 683-84c; Aug, 675-74c; Sept, 640c; Nov, 618½-19½c; Jan, 624½c; March, 630½-30c; May, 635½c; July, 634½c. **SOYABEAN OIL.** July, 25.70-55c; Aug, 24.85-80c; Sept, 24.00-23.95c; Oct, 23.20-15c; Dec, 22.50-55c; Jan, 22.35-25c; March, 22.20-15c; May, 22.10-22.00c; July 21.90-85c. **SOYABEAN MEAL.** July, 173.00-4.00; Aug, 175.30-5.50; Sept, 172.70-2.50; Oct, 170.00-169.80; Dec, 167.20-7.40; Jan, 167.00; March, 169.00; May, 170.00; July, 171.00-1.50. **CHICAGO GRAINS.**—**WHEAT** July, 315½-¼c; Sept, 320-18½c; Dec, 329½c; March, 338c; May, 334c; July, 318c. **CORN.** July, 235½c; Sept, 240½-40c; Dec, 245-45½c; March, 253-52½c; May, 256½c; July 260. **OATS.** July, 126½c; Sept, 133-32½c; Dec 141½c; March, 148c bid; May, 149½c bid.

	July 12	July 11
Allied Chem	35¾	35½
Allied Stores	23¾	23¾
Allied Supermkt	2¼	2⅛
Allis Chalmers	34	33½
Alcoa	41¼	40¾
Amax Inc	34¾	33¾
Amerada Hess	28¾	27¾
Am Airlines	13¾	13¼
Am Brands	50¾	50
Am Broadcast	48¾	49
Am Can	42	42
Am Cyanamid	28¾	28
Am Elec Power	23⅛	23¼
Am Home	29	28¾
Am Motors	5¾	5¾
Am Nat Res	42¾	41½
Am Standard	43	42½
Am Telephone	59¾	59¾
AMF Inc	18	18
Armco Steel	29¼	29¼
Asarco	14¼	14¼
Ashland Oil	32¾	33½
Atlantic Richfield	49¾	49¾
Avco	27	25¾
Avon Products	54¾	54¾
Babcock & Wcox	59¾	59¾
Bankers Tst NY	34¾	35½
Bank of America	22¾	22¾
Bank of NY	34¾	34¾
Beatrice Foods	24⅞	24¾
Bell & Howell	19¼	19¼
Bendix	38½	38½
Bethlehem Steel	22⅜	22½
Boeing	54½	55
Boise Cascade	27⅛	26½
Borden	28¾	28¾
Borg Warner	28¾	28½
Bristol Myers	37¼	37½
BP	16¾	16½
Burlington Ind	18¼	18¾
Burlington Nthn	39¾	39½
Burroughs	73¾	73¾
Campbell Soup	34	34¼
Canadian Pacific	17¼	17
Caterpillar	58¾	58½
Celanese	40⅛	40¾
Central Soya	15⅛	15¼
Charter NY	30½	30¼
Chase Manhat	30¾	30½
Chem Bank NY	39	38½
Chesapeake Ohio	31¼	30¾
Chrysler	10⅛	10¾
Citicorp	23	23
Cities Service	48¼	48½
Clark Equip	32¾	32¾
Coca Cola	41¾	42
Colgate	20¾	20¾
CBS	54	54½
Columbia Gas	27¾	27¾
Combustion Eng	40	40
Comwlth Edison	27⅛	27
Cons Edison	23¾	23¾
Cons Foods	24⅛	24¾
Cons Power	23⅛	23⅜
Continental Grp	28¾	28¾
Continental Oil	26⅜	26¾
Control Data	34	33¾
Corning Glass	55¾	55
CPC Intnl	48¾	48¾
Crane	27⅜	27½
Crocker Int	23⅞	23⅜
Crown Zeller	31½	31¾
Dart Ind	45¾	44½
Deere	32⅜	32¾
Del Monte	28½	28½
Delta Air	47¼	47¾
Detroit Edison	15¾	15⅝
Disney	40⅜	40¾
Dow Chemical	24½	24¾
Dresser Ind	43	43
Duke Power	20	20
Du Pont	113¾	113
Eastern Air	12⅛	12⅛
Eastman Kodak	53¾	54¾
Eaton Corp	38¾	37¾
El Paso Nat Gas	16	16¼
Equitable Life	19⅛	19¾
Esmark	30⅜	30¾
Evans P. D.	16⅛	16⅜
Exxon Corp	45	45⅜
Fed Dept Stores	35¾	35¾
Firestone	13⅜	13¼
Fst Chicago	20¾	20¾
Fst Nat Boston	29⅞	29⅞
Fst Penn Corp	15¾	15¼
Ford	47¾	48¼
GAF Corp	13	12⅞
Gamble Skogmo	26¼	26
Gen Dynamics	73½	73½
Gen Electric	52	52
Gen Foods	32¼	32
Gen Mills	31	30¾
Gen Motors	60½	60¾
Gen Pub Util NY	18⅝	18½
Gen Tel Elec	28⅜	28⅛
Gen Tire	25⅝	25¾
Genesco	5⅛	n
Georgia Pacific	29⅛	28
Getty Oil	36	36½
Gillette	29⅞	29⅞
Goodrich	22⅜	22⅛
Goodyear	16⅜	16¾
Gould Inc	30⅜	30⅛
Grace	26¾	26⅞
Gt Atlan & Pacific	6½	6½
Greyhound	12⅞	13⅛
Grumman Corp	20¾	19⅞
Gulf Oil	23⅞	23⅞
Gulf & West	13⅛	14
Heinz H. J.	41⅛	41⅛
Hercules	14½	14¼
Honeywell	57	57
IC Inds	25⅝	26¼
Ingersoll	56¾	56½
Inland Steel	35⅞	34⅞
IBM	258¾	259⅛
Int Harvester	35⅞	35½
INCO	15½	15¾
Int Paper	40⅞	40
Int Tel Tel	30⅞	30⅞
Jewel Co	20⅞	20⅝
Jim Walter	29¾	29⅞
Johns-Manville	29⅞	30¾
Johnson & John	81½	82¾
Kaiser Alumin	31¾	31
Kennecott	21⅞	21¾
Kerr McGee	43½	42⅞
Kimberly Clark	45	44⅞
Kraftco Corp	47½	46⅞
K Mart	24⅞	24⅞
Kroger	33½	33¾
Ligget Group	32⅝	32⅞
L.T.V. Corp	6¾	6⅞
Litton	22	21⅞
Lockheed	22⅜	22⅞
Lucky Stores	15¼	15⅛
Manuf Hanover	35⅛	35¼
Mapco	31½	32
Marathon Oil	42¾	42¼
Marine Midland	15	14⅞
Martin Marietta	29⅛	29¼
McDonnell	33¾	34
Mead	21¼	21⅛
Memorex	40	40
Merck	58¼	57⅞
Minnesota Mng	56⅝	56¾
Mobil Oil	61⅞	61⅜
Monsanto	50	50¼
Morgan J. P.	44¼	44½
Motorola	47⅛	46⅞
NCR Corp	53⅛	52¾
NL Industries	18¾	18⅞
Nabisco	35	35
Nat Distillers	22	21⅞
Nat Steel	30	29⅞
Norfolk West	24⅜	24½
NW Bancorp	24	24
Norton Simon	18⅝	18½
Occidental Pet	21⅞	21⅞
Ogden	27⅞	27⅞
Olin Corp	14⅞	14⅜
Owens-Illinois	21½	21
Pacific Gas Elec	23⅜	23⅞
Pan Am	6¾	6⅞
Penney J. C.	35⅞	35⅞
Pennzoil	27⅞	28
Pepsico	29¼	29¼
Pet Inc	34⅞	52
Pfizer	33½	33⅞
Phelps Dodge	20⅝	20½
Philip Morris	67¾	68⅜
Phillips Petrol	31¾	31¾
Polaroid	29⅞	30⅛
PPG Ind	28⅞	28⅞
Proctor Gamble	88½	88⅞
Pub Ser El & Gas	22⅞	22⅞
Pullman	31⅞	31⅞
Rapid American	10⅛	9⅞
Raytheon	51	49
RCA Corp	26¾	26½
Republic Steel	22¾	22¾
Reynolds Ind	58¾	58½
Reynolds Metal	28¾	28½
Rockwell Int	32⅝	32¾
Royal Dutch	59⅛	60¼
Safeways	39¾	39⅛
St Regis Paper	27⅛	26⅞
Santa Fe Ind	34½	34⅝
SCM	19½	19¾
Schlumberger	93½	83¾
Scott Paper	15⅞	16¾
Seaboard Coast	30¼	30
Seagram	23	22⅞
Sears Roebuck	22¾	22⅝
Shell Oil	33⅝	32¾
Shell Trans	42⅞	42½
Signal Co	47½	47⅝
Singer	21⅝	20¾
Sony	8½	8½
Sth Cal Edison	25½	25¾
Southern Pacific	30⅞	31¼
Southern Rly	51¼	50¾
Sperry Rand	41½	41⅞
Std Brands	27⅜	27¾e
Std Oil Calfnia	39¾	39⅝
Std Oil Indiana	48⅝	48
Std Oil Ohio	31½	30½
Sterling Drug	16¼	15¾
Stevens J. P.	14⅝	14⅝
Stude Worth	61¼	61¼
Sunbeam Corp	20⅝	20⅞
Sun Comp	42	42⅝
Teledyne	98⅝	98¾
Tenneco	31⅝	31⅝
Texaco	25	24⅞
Texas East Corp	40¼	39⅞
Texas Inst	99¼	[illegible]
Texas Utilities	20¾	20¾
Textron	29½	29¾
TWA	20¼	20¼
Travelers Corp	35¼	34¾
TRW Inc	37	36⅞
UAL Inc	31⅜	31¼
Unilever Ltd	40½	38
Unilever NV	55¾	55⅞
Union Bancorp	24¼	24⅝
Union Carbide	37¾	37
Union Oil Calif	48⅝	48
Un Pacific Corp	45	45⅝
Uniroyal	7⅜	7½
United Brands	9¾	9¾
US Industries	8⅝	8½
US Steel	26⅝	26¼
Utd Technol	43	43
Wachovia	13½	18¼
Warner Comm	44	44
Warner Lambert	28¼	28½
Wells Fargo	26⅞	26⅞
West'n Bancorp	36⅝	36¾
Westnghse Elec	22¼	22¾
Weyerhauser	25½	25¼
Whirlpool	22⅜	22⅝
White Motor	9¼	9¼
Woolworth	18⅝	18⅝
Xerox Corp	53½	54
Zenith	14¾	14⅜

Canadian Prices

	July 12	July 11
Abitibi	13¼	13
Alcan Alumin	30¼	30¼
Algoma Steel	20	20¼
Bell Telephone	57½	57¼
Cominco	27	26⅝
Cons Bathurst	28	28
Falconbridge	22¼	22
Gulf Oil	28	27½
Hawker Sid Can	9.00	9.00
Hudson Bay Min	17¾	17⅝
Hudson Bay Oil	45½	45½
Imasco	33⅝	33⅝
Imperial Oil	18¾	18⅞
Int Pipe	15¼	15¼
Mass-Fergsn	12⅞	11⅞
Royal Trust	17¾	17¾
Seagram	25⅝	25¾
Steel Co	25¼	25
Talcorp	9¼	9⅛
Thomson N 'A'	14	14
Walker Hiram	33	33¼
WCT	11¼	11¼

* Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, 1.8885 (1.8863); three months, 1.8751 (1.8747); Canadian dollar 88.94 (89.06).

The Dow Jones spot commodity index was 355.35. The futures index was 341.46.

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 824.93 (821.29); transportation 223.56 (222.34); utilities 105.72 (105.24); 65 stocks, 285.46 (284.18). New York Stock Exchange index, 54.09 (53.90); industrials 58.71 (58.52); transportation, 43.93 (43.80); utilities, 39.21 (39.04); financial, 57.26 (57.00).

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	10%
Barclays Bank	10%
B.C.C.I. Bank	10%
Consolidated Crdts.	10%
C. Hoare & Co	*10%
Lloyds Bank	10%
London Mercantile	10%
Midland Bank	10%
Nat Westminster	10%
Rossminster Ltd	10%
TSB	10%
Williams and Glyn's	10%

* 7 day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under 6½%, up to £25,000, 7¼%, over £25,000 7½%.

CHARTER CONSOLIDATED LIMITED

NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF SHARE WARRANTS TO BEARER

A final dividend of 5.27645p per share will be payable on or after 24th July, 1978, to persons presenting coupon No. 26 detached from share warrants to bearer. The dividend will carry a tax credit at the rate of 33/67ths of 2.59885p per share.

Coupons, which must be left four clear days for examination, may be lodged any weekday (Saturday excepted) between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the Bearer Reception Office at this address, or at Credit Lyonnais, 19 Boulevard des Italiens, 75002 Paris, or Banque Rothschild, 21 Rue Laffitte, 75009 Paris. Listing forms may be obtained on application.

40 Holborn Viaduct,
London EC1P 1AJ.
14th July 1978.

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

US STRAIGHTS ($)	Bid	Offer
Australia 7½ 1984	95¼	94¼
Australia 8½ 1992	93¼	95¼
Aust Mining 9¼ 1993	97	98¼
Avco 9½ 1983	100¼	100¼
Avco 9¼ 1985	96¼	96¼
Barclays 8¼ 1992	94¼	95
Bowater 9¼ 1992	96¼	97
British Gas 9 1981	100	100¼
Citicorp 8¼ 1980	95¼	95¼
Citicorp 7 1981	95¼	95¼
CECA 8¼ 1987	93	93¼
DSM 8¼ 1987	95¼	95¼
EIB 8¼ 1988	95¼	95
EIB 8¾ 1983	94¼	96¼
Eurofima 8¼ 1988	95¼	96
Fisons 8½ 1992	93	94¼
ICI 8¼ 1987	95¼	96¼
INCO 8¼ 1984	95¼	96¼
INCO 9 1992	96¼	96¼
ITEL 9¼ 1988	100¼	100¼
U. O'seas 8¾ 1987	97	97¼
Light-Services 9 1982	97¼	97¼
MacMillan Bloedel 9 1992	94¼	95¼
Midland Int 8½ 1992	94	94¼
NCB 8 1987	96	96¼
Nat West 9 1986	100	100¼
NZ Forest Prod 9 1986	100	100¼
Norsk Hydro 7¼ 1982	95	95¼
Occidental 8¼ 1983	96¼	96¼
Occidental 8¼ 1987	96	96¼
Offshore Mining 8¼ 1985	95¼	96¼
Rank Hovis 9 1992	95¼	96¼
R. J. Reynolds 7¼ 1982	96¼	97
Shell 8¼ 1990	95¼	95¼
SNCE 8¼ 1984	96¼	97¼
Stuartbankernas 8¼ 1988	96¼	96¼
Sweden 7½ 1982	96¼	96¼
Sweden 8¼ 1987	94	94¼
Tauernautobahn 8¼ 1987	98	98¼
Tauernautobahn 8¼ 1987	98¼	98¼

FLOATING RATE NOTES	Bid	Offer
Andelsbanken 8¼ 1984	98¼	98¼
CCF 9¼ 7 16 1983	99¼	100¼
IBJ 8¼ 1983	99¼	100
LTCB 1 15 16 1982	100	100¼
OKB 9¼ 1983	100¼	100¼
Williams & Glyns 8 1/16 1984	99¼	100¼

CANADIAN DOLLARS	Bid	Offer
Acco 9¼ 1982	98¼	99
BM-RT 8¼ 1982	97¼	98¼
Ford 8¼ 1984	96¼	97¼
British Columbia MFA 9 1987	96¼	97¼
Rank 9¼ 1982	97¼	97¼
Walter Heller 9¼ 1984	97¼	98¼

DEUTSCHE MARKS	Bid	Offer
CFP 6¼ 1.7.84	102¼	103
ICI 6¼ 1.3.87	104¼	105
New Zealand 6¼ 1.5.84	105¼	105¼
Phrzn 6¼ 1.9.84	101	101¼
Quebec Hydro 6¼ 16.8.87	103	102¼

US & CONVERTIBLES	Bid	Offer
American Express 4¼ 1987	81¼	83
Beatrice Foods 4¼ 1992	96¼	98
Beatrice Foods 6¼ 1991	111¼	113
Beecham 6¼ 1992	98¼	99¼
Borden 6¼ 1991	105¼	107
Carnation 4 1988	78	79¼
Chevron 5 1988	124¼	126
Eastman Kodak 4¼ 1988	85	87¼
Fairchild Camera 6¼ 1991	91	92¼
Ford 5 1988	85¼	87
Ford 6 1986	96	97¼
General Electric 4¼ 1987	80	81¼
Gillette 4¼ 1987	76¼	78
Gould 5 1987	119	120¼
Gulf & Western 5 1988	85¼	87
Honeywell 6 1986	86	87¼
ICI 6¼ 1987	80¼	80¼
INA 6 1997	95¼	97
Inchcape 6¼ 1992	114	115
ITT 4¼ 1987	77¼	79
J. Ray McDermott 4¼ 1987	142¼	144¼
Mitsui Real Estate 6 1992	145	147
J. P. Morgan 4¼ 1987	95¼	97
Nabisco 5¼ 1988	102¼	104
J. C. Penney 4¼ 1987	75¼	77
Revlon 4¼ 1987	120¼	122
Reynolds Metals 5 1988	82¼	84
Sperry Rand 4¼ 1988	91¼	93
Squibb 4¼ 1987	81	82¼
Sumitomo Elec 6 1992	115	117
Texaco 4¼ 1988	78	79¼
Tuco 5 1988	77	78¼
Union Bank of Switzerland 4¼ 1987	134	135
Warner Lambert 4¼ 1987	80	81¼
Xerox Corp 5 1988	77	78¼

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited

Recent Issues

Barnet 12% 1987 (£94)
Bramall C D 25p Ord (73)
Edinburgh Var 1983 (£1...)
Furnitbern. Int 20p Ord (...)
Exchequer 1% 1983 (£95)
Exchequer 12% 2013-17 (£...)
Fairview 12.25 Deb (£...)
Greenwich 11% 1983 (£...)
Hunting Petr Conm Sers (...)
R. Johnson Bro 11% Pf (...)
Sth Tyneside 12% 1986 (£...)
Thames Plywood 20p Ord (...)
Tyne and Wear 12% Rd Db 1986 (£...)
W. Kent Wtr 12% Db 1986 (£...)

RIGHTS ISSUES (Latest date of renunciation)
ASE Gen ($A2.75) Aug 31
Brooke Tool (29) Aug 18
Dartmouth Inv (13)
Electric Hopper (14) Aug 16
Head'am Sims (36)
Hongs... (...)
Securicor Ord (...) Aug 4
Do A (...) Aug 25
Security Services (35) Aug 25
Do A (35) Aug 25
Satellite Speak (...)

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. ‖ Nil paid. a £25 paid. b £10 paid. c £15 paid. d £50 paid. e £25 paid. f £20 paid. g £40 paid. h £35 paid. i £45 paid.

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The Over-the-Counter Market

1977 78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P E
64	29	Airsprung Ord	63	—	5.4	8.6	8.3
203	106	Airsprung 18½% CULS	201	—	18.5	9.2	—
46	25	Armitage & Rhodes	42	—	3.3	7.8	17.9
163	105	Bardon Hill	163	—	12.0	7.4	8.8
116	51	Deborah Ord	115	—	5.1	4.4	9.3
230	108	Deborah 17½% CULS	230	—	17.5	7.6	—
147	120	Frederick Parker	130	—	12.4	9.5	5.1
153	135	George Blair	148	—	15.0	10.1	5.9
58	36	Jackson Group	52	+1	5.0	9.6	6.1
114	55	James Burrough	106	—	6.5	6.1	9.8
340	188	Robert Jenkins	315	—	29.7	9.4	5.2
24	9	Twinlock Ord	20	—	—	—	17.8
82	54	Twinlock 12% ULS	80	—	12.0	15.0	—
83	54	Unilock Holdings	83	+1	7.4	8.9	8.9
105	67	Walter Alexander	105	—	6.4	6.1	7.7

Authorized Units, Insurance & Off-shore Funds

1977/78 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Authorized Unit Trusts			
		Abbey Unit Trust Managers.			
		72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks		0296 5941	
34.1	24.2	Abbey Capital	32.9	35.0	4.18
48.3	35.1	Abbey General	45.7	48.6	4.09
43.3	29.8	Do Income	39.4	41.9	5.76
37.0	27.6	Do Invest	37.0	39.4	4.15
		Allen Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Durrant Hse, Chiswell St, E C 1 Y 4TT		01-588 6371	
76.2	57.4	Allen Trust* (3)	71.0	76.3	4.14
66.2	47.9	Do Inc* (3)	64.2	69.0	7.43
		Allied Hambro Group.			
		Hambro Hse, Hutton, Essex.		01-588 2851	
73.7	53.6	Allied Capital	71.7	76.7	4.43
67.6	50.8	Do 1st	65.6	70.2	5.41
67.2	49.5	Brit Inds	62.6	67.0	5.58
39.0	27.8	Growth & Inc	37.0	39.6	5.30
33.6	24.0	Elec & Ind Dev	33.4	35.7	4.98
41.0	32.4	Met Min & Cmdty	41.0	43.8	5.23
69.2	45.4	High Income	64.9	69.4	8.70
39.4	28.2	Equity Income	38.9	41.5	7.18
26.8	22.4	International	26.4	28.3	2.40
71.4	44.0	High Yield Fnd	70.4	75.4	8.11
108.9	79.1	Hambro Fnd	103.9	111.1	5.13
88.5	62.4	Do Recovery	85.3	91.2	5.92
36.0	[illegible]	Do Smaller	36.0	38.5	4.90
123.1	[illegible]	Do Accum	119.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
44.1	24.3	2nd Smaller	44.1	47.2	3.04
56.3	45.5	Secs of America	53.2	56.9	2.02
46.2	31.0	Pacific Fnd	45.4	48.6	2.75
58.8	43.9	Overseas Fnd	57.4	61.4	4.75
241.1	128.3	Exempt Smaller	221.1	232.8	5.15
		Arbuthnot Securities Ltd.			
		37 Queen St, London, EC4R 1BY.		01-236 5281	
115.9	107.3	Extra Income	104.5	112.4	11.03
42.2	31.3	High Income	40.9	44.0	9.36
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Barclays Unicorn Ltd.		01-534 5544	
		Bridge Fund Managers Ltd.			
		Britannia Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Charities Official Investment Fund.			
		Charterhouse Japhet Unit Management Ltd.			
		Crescent Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Equitas Securities Ltd.			
		Equity & Law Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Framlington Unit Trust Management Ltd.			
		Friends Provident Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Funds in Court.			
		G and A Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		G.T. Unit Managers Ltd.			
		Gartmore Fund Managers.			
		Grieveson Management Co Ltd.			
		Guardian Royal Exchange Unit Man Ltd.			
		Henderson Administration.			
		Hill Samuel Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Key Fund Managers.			
		Kleinwort Benson Unit Managers.			
		Lawson Securities.			
		Legal & General Tyndall Fund.			
		Lloyds Bank Unit Trust Managers.			
		71 Lombard St, London, EC3		01-623 1288	
61.8	37.5	1st Balanced	59.3	63.9	4.51
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	84.0	[illegible]	4.51
59.3	43.6	2nd Capital	57.5	56.4	2.82
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	2.92
[illegible]	[illegible]	3rd Income	82.4	[illegible]	6.18
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	112.9	[illegible]	6.18
61.7	44.1	4th Extra Inc	58.7	63.1	8.14
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	66.9	[illegible]	8.14
		Local Authorities Mutual Investment Trust.			
		77 London Wall, EC2N 1DB.		01-588 1815	
82.7	64.2	Narrow Rnge* (34)	82.5	[illegible]	11.52
193.3	151.3	Wider Rnge* (34)	193.3		3.03
108.0	80.1	Property* (34)	108.0		6.90
		M & G Securities.			
		Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ.		01-626 4588	
52.7	40.0	Amer & Gen Inc	49.4	52.6	1.93
55.9	39.0	Australasian Inc	55.5	59.1	1.81
78.9	54.0	Comnltd & Gen	78.9	84.0	4.28
98.0	64.4	Do Accum	95.0	99.5	4.38
107.3	73.0	Compound	107.2	115.0	3.77
63.1	47.8	Conv Yst Growth	65.1	70.3	2.81
64.8	63.6	Do Income	64.6	68.8	8.39
153.9	118.0	Charifund* (2)	145.3	152.3	7.91
191.2	115.2	Do Accum (2)	187.0	197.0	7.91
125.5	78.8	Div Fnd	117.0	125.1	7.09
233.6	146.6	Do Accum	221.8	238.4	7.09
48.4	45.3	Euro & Gen Inc	45.0	52.2	2.40
89.3	54.0	Extra Yield	83.0	89.4	8.43
113.8	69.4	Do Accum	112.1	119.4	8.38
62.4	30.6	Far East Inc	59.3	63.2	1.98
65.0	43.0	Do Accum	65.1	69.3	1.98
65.5	47.4	FITS	62.5	67.2	4.65
75.5	55.0	Do Accum	76.3	82.4	4.65
170.0	126.7	General Tst	167.9	182.2	5.77
261.3	189.9	Do Accum	261.3	282.2	5.77
109.5	72.5	High Income	100.3	106.8	8.44
170.0	95.7	Do Accum	165.6	176.6	8.44

1977/78 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
164.3	118.3	Japan & Gen Inc	164.1	174.8	1.34
212.3	162.3	Magnum Fnd	212.3	227.2	3.76
264.8	194.0	Do Accum	264.8	283.3	3.76
170.1	96.3	Mid & Gen	168.4	181.0	7.09
281.4	148.3	Do Accum	278.7	299.6	7.09
31.6	25.3	NAACIF	..	30.9	8.51
123.6	82.1	Do Accum	..	122.4	8.51
139.8	96.1	Pension* (1)	135.7	141.1	5.86
82.3	36.3	Recovery Inc	78.8	85.0	4.38
83.2	73.4	Do Accum	82.3	[illegible]	4.38
172.7	115.5	Second Gen	172.7	187.4	5.09
262.4	166.6	Do Accum	262.4	284.7	5.09
164.3	54.2	Special Tst	161.3	173.0	4.24
206.7	113.0	Do Accum	206.7	220.1	4.24
146.9	97.7	Trustee Fnd	144.4	154.5	6.44
283.3	174.7	Do Accum	280.1	299.7	6.44
		Midland Bank Group Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Courtwood Hse, Sheffield, S1 3RD.		0742-79842	
28.9	22.4	Capital	28.3	30.3	3.30
31.3	28.4	Do Accum	30.9	33.1	3.30
71.8	46.2	Commodity	71.3	76.8	5.27
82.8	48.5	Do Accum	82.2	88.5	5.27
38.9	34.3	Growth	36.6	39.2	3.09
41.3	36.4	Do Accum	39.3	42.1	3.09
63.1	50.0	High Yield	61.7	65.7	8.31
66.0	50.0	Do Accum	65.5	69.7	8.31
52.7	38.4	Income	52.7	56.4	6.46
60.1	40.5	Do Accum	60.1	64.3	6.46
50.8	40.8	International	47.4	51.3	2.29
53.4	42.9	Do Accum	50.5	54.6	2.29
112.8	98.5	Exempt Equity	100.9	106.5	5.96
112.8	98.5	Do Accum	100.9	106.5	5.96
		National & Commercial.			
		31 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh.		031-556 9151	
158.6	112.0	Income	143.0	150.2	6.00
211.2	143.2	Do Accum	196.8	203.0	6.00
131.2	100.0	Capital	122.2	126.6	3.71
157.4	118.0	Do Accum	149.8	155.2	3.71
		National Provident Inv Managers Ltd.			
		48 Gracechurch Street, EC3.		01-623 4200	
58.4	44.5	NPI Accum (15)	55.0	58.6	4.30
49.4	38.2	Do Dist (15)	45.1	48.0	4.30
133.3	122.9	Do O'seas Acc	133.3	142.2	2.60
125.9	115.2	Do O'seas Dis	125.9	134.3	2.60
		National Westminster Unit Trust Managers.			
		41 Lothbury, London, EC2P 2BP		01-606 6060	
91.8	69.1	Growth	86.4	92.9	5.15
		161 Cheapside EC2V 6EE		01-606 6060	
61.2	50.6	Capital	63.9	68.8	4.22
69.9	55.2	Extra Income	65.6	70.5	7.77
37.9	28.9	Income	36.3	39.0	6.35
36.6	30.6	Financial	34.4	36.9	5.41
75.2	57.5	Portfolio	68.8	73.9	5.81
62.8	50.0	Universal Fund	56.3	63.7	2.27
		N.E.L. Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Milton Court, Dorking, Surrey.		0306 5911	
68.4	52.7	Nelstar	61.0	64.2	4.27
51.1	47.5	Do High Inc	49.8	52.4	8.39
		Norwich Union Insurance Group.			
		PO Box 4, Norwich, NR1 3NG.		0603 22200	
355.2	217.8	Group Tst Fnd	344.4	362.5	5.02
		For Oceanic Group see Brown Shipley.			
		Pearl Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		252 High Holborn, WC1V 7EB.		01-405 8441	
24.5	23.3	Growth	22.7	24.5	5.44
28.6	23.0	Do Accum	27.0	29.1	5.44
33.4	24.8	Income	31.6	34.0	7.29
37.5	28.4	Trust	35.1	37.8	5.01
46.9	36.3	Do Accum	45.3	48.8	5.01
		Pelican Unit Administration.			
		81 Fountain Street, Manchester.		061-236 5685	
84.4	55.1	Pelican	84.4	90.7	5.01
		Perpetual Unit Trust Management.			
		48 Hart St, Henley on Thames.		04912 6868	
40.0	18.8	Perpetual Grth	39.1	42.0	3.50
		Practical Investment Co Ltd.			
		44 Bloomsbury Square, WC1.		01-623 8893	
155.8	113.4	Practical Inc	155.3	165.4	4.36
220.3	153.6	Do Accum (3)	220.3	233.9	4.36
		Provincial Life Investment Co Ltd.			
		222 Bishopsgate, EC2.		01-247 6533	
85.2	65.5	Prolific	83.6	89.5	3.06
112.2	71.6	Do High Inc	111.1	119.0	7.33
		Prudential Unit Trust Managers.			
		Holborn Bars, London, EC1N 2NH.		01-405 9222	
133.0	94.0	Prudential	125.5	133.0	4.43
		Reliance Unit Managers Ltd.			
		Reliance Hse, Mt Ephraim, Tun Wells.		0892 22271	
41.9	30.4	Sekforde Tst	41.5	44.7	6.05
42.9	33.0	Do Accum	42.9	45.9	6.05
68.7	41.0	Opp Accum (2)	66.7	71.3	5.34
		Rothschild Asset Management.			
		72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks.		0296 5941	
115.5	92.7	Energy Resrces	105.6	113.5	2.82
172.8	132.0	Equity	168.3	178.0	3.62
151.4	112.0	Income Fund	145.6	155.0	6.79
96.0	73.4	Int Income	89.5	95.2	1.72
96.0	73.4	Int Accum	89.9	95.6	1.87
154.3	94.2	Smaller Co's	154.1	164.0	4.39
		Save & Prosper Group.			
		4 Great St. Helen's EC3P 3EP.		01-588 1717	
		Dealings to 01-554 8899			
		Erskine Hse, 68-73 Queen St, Edinburgh, EH2 4NX			
37.5	32.6	Capital Units	36.9	39.6	3.12
28.0	23.5	I.T.U.	26.0	27.9	4.02
71.1	53.4	Universal Grwth	69.5	74.8	1.95
57.4	43.7	High Yield	53.4	57.4	7.25
44.8	34.1	Income	43.0	46.2	6.87
69.4	49.8	High Return	66.0	70.9	8.46
45.2	33.3	U.K. Equity Fnd	43.6	47.0	5.02
		Scotbits Securities Ltd.			
		Schlesinger Trust Managers.			
		J. Henry Schroder Wagg & Co. Ltd.			
		Scottish Equitable Fund Managers Ltd.			
		Stewart Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Sun Alliance Fund Management Ltd.			
		Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex		0403 64141	
214.00	109.10	Exempt Eq (3)	214.00	225.30	4.23
97.7	73.2	Family Fund	97.1	103.2	3.55
		Target Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Target Trust Managers (Scotland) Ltd.			
		TSB Unit Trusts.			
		Transatlantic & General Securities.			
		Tyndall Managers Ltd.			
		London Wall Group.			
		Unit Trust Account & Management.			

1977/78 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
11.50	8.58	Eqty Bn/Exec £	11.41	12.05	..
13.36	10.85	Prop Bn/Exec £	13.36	14.14	..
13.12	10.24	Bal Bn/Exec £	13.12	13.88	..
111.3	110.5	Dep Bnd	111.3	117.8	..
177.0	123.0	Equity Acc	176.0	..	..
12.76	9.73	Prop Acc £	12.76	..	..
1,568	1,251	Man Acc	1,568	..	..
94.5	87.0	2nd Equity	93.2	98.6	..
104.9	100.0	2nd Prop	104.9	111.0	..
97.6	95.0	2nd Man	97.6	103.3	..
97.0	100.0	2nd Dep	97.0	102.7	..
89.4	88.0	2nd Gilt	89.6	94.8	..
95.8	85.1	2nd Equ Pen Acc	95.1	100.6	..
108.6	100.0	2nd Prp Pen Acc	108.6	114.9	..
100.0	96.7	2nd Man Pen Acc	99.9	105.7	..
99.0	100.0	2nd Dep Pen Acc	99.0	104.8	..
95.8	93.3	2nd Gilt Pen Acc	89.9	95.1	..
38.5	28.5	L & E SIF	38.0	40.5	..
27.5	21.0	L & E SIF 2nd	27.0	29.0	..
		City of Westminster Assurance Society.			
		6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA.		01-684 9664	
		Valuation last working day of month.			
123.6	98.7	1st Units	123.6	129.7	..
54.7	47.3	Prop Units	54.7	57.5	..
		City of Westminster Assurance Co.			
		6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA.		01-684 9664	
		Valuation last working day of month.			
60.5	50.4	West Prop Fund	60.5	63.6	..
173.5	124.3	Managed Fund	171.7	180.7	..
58.6	35.3	Equity Fnd	57.1	60.1	..
73.9	60.8	Farmland Fund	73.9	77.7	..
121.2	118.8	Money Fund	121.2	127.5	..
64.2	50.2	Gilt Fnd	64.2	67.5	..
173.0	133.7	P.U.L.A.	169.7	173.0	..
		Funds currently closed to new investment			
38.3	30.1	Speculator	..	31.9	..
204.6	120.7	Performance	..	201.0	..
111.0	100.0	Guarantee	..	100.5	..
		Commercial Union Group.			
		St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, EC3.		01-283 7500	
53.2	38.5	Variable An Acc	..	52.9	..
18.1	13.3	Do Annuity	..	17.6	..
		Cornhill Insurance.			
		32 Cornhill, London, EC3.		01-626 5410	
		Valuation 15th of month.			
123.5	81.5	Capital Fnd	123.5	..	..
52.0	34.6	GS Special	52.0	..	..
110.5	128.0	Man Growth (23)	165.0	174.0	..
		Crown Life Insurance Co.			
		Crown Life Hse, Woking, Surrey.		04862 5033	
158.5	103.0	Crown Brit Inv	..	142.9	..
		Crusader Insurance.			
		Bowring Bldgs, Tower Place, EC3.		01-626 8031	
		Valuation 1st Tuesday of month.			
71.7	63.0	Crusader Prop	70.9	80.4	..
		Drummond Assurance Society.			
		25 Worship St, London, EC2.		01-487 5352	
33.7	24.2	Fund A	30.1	31.7	..
28.3	26.2	Fund B	27.0	28.4	..
34.7	26.2	Fund C	30.9	32.6	..
31.8	26.2	Fund D	29.1	30.7	..
27.9	26.2	Fund E	27.9	29.3	..
		Eagle Star Insurance/Midland Assurance.			
		1, Threadneedle St, E.C.2		01-588 1212	
55.1	38.5	Eagle/Midland	52.5	54.5	6.01
		Equity & Law Life Assurance Society Ltd.			
		Amersham Rd, High Wycombe.		0494 33377	
118.8	100.0	Equity Fnd	113.4	119.3	..
108.7	99.5	Property Fnd	106.5	112.1	..
115.5	98.8	Fixed Int Fnd	107.5	113.1	..
99.2	100.0	Guar Dep Fnd	99.2	104.4	..
110.7	100.0	Mixed Fnd	110.2	116.0	..
		Fidelity Life Assurance Ltd.			
		Surrey Street, Norwich, NR1 3NG.		0603 603241	
28.8	25.2	Flexible Inv	27.8	29.3	..
45.1	40.4	American Grwth	42.4	44.7	..
58.1	51.9	Trust of Trusts	56.9	59.9	..
		Grosvenor Life Assurance Co Ltd.			
		65 Grosvenor St, London W1.		01-493 1484	
32.8	25.0	Managed Fnd	32.5	34.3	..
102.4	101.4	Do Capital	100.1	105.4	..
		Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group.			
		Royal Exchange, London, EC3.		01-283 7107	
176.9	147.8	Property Bond	176.9	184.2	..
168.8	113.2	Pen Man Bonds	168.1	178.0	..
		Hambro Life Assurance.			
		7 Old Park Lane, London, W1.		01-499 0031	
125.5	122.7	Fixed Int Fnd	125.4	132.1	..
177.8	122.2	Equity	177.1	186.5	..
140.4	107.4	Managed Cap	140.1	147.5	..
173.2	124.2	Do Accum	173.1	182.3	..
163.3	137.0	Property	162.9	171.5	..
125.1	87.9	Overseas Fnd	121.6	128.0	..
124.3	100.6	Gilt Edged Acc	123.6	130.2	..
101.9	100.0	Am Acc	97.1	102.3	..
127.1	125.1	Pen FI Cap	127.7	134.5	..
149.1	128.4	Do Accum	149.1	157.0	..
202.9	171.4	Pen Prop Cap	202.9	213.6	..
261.4	209.5	Do Accum	261.4	275.2	..
208.6	156.9	Pen Man Cap	201.6	212.3	..
263.3	191.7	Do Accum	259.7	273.4	..
130.3	104.3	Do Gilt Edge	121.1	127.5	..
135.1	104.4	Do Accum	127.5	134.3	..
102.0	100.0	Pen DAF Cap	102.0	103.5	..
102.8	100.0	Pen DAF Accum	102.9	103.5	..
		Hearts of Oak Benefit Society.			
		Euston Rd, London, NW1.		01-387 5020	
38.5	34.3	Property Bond	38.5	39.4	..
		Hill Samuel Life Assurance Ltd.			
		NLA Twr, Addiscombe Rd, Croydon.		01-686 4355	
154.8	133.0	Property Units	154.9	162.6	..
101.9	100.0	Do Series A	101.9	107.4	..
		Hodge Life Assurance Co Ltd.			
		Imperial Life Assurance Co of Canada.			
		Irish Life Assurance.			
		Langham Life Assurance.			
		Legal & General (Unit Assurance) Ltd.			
		Lloyds Life Assurance Ltd.			
		The London & Manchester Group.			
		Manufacturers Life Insurance.			
		Merchant Investors Assurance.			
		M & G Assurance.			
		N.E.L. Pensions Ltd.			
		Norwich Union Insurance Group.			
		Pearl Assurance (Unit Funds) Ltd.			
		Phoenix Assurance.			
		Property Equity & Life Ass Co.			
		Property Growth Assurance.			
		Property Growth Pensions & Annuities Ltd.			
		Prudential Pensions Ltd.			
		Reliance Mutual Insurance Society Ltd.			
		Save & Prosper Group.			
		Insurance Bonds and Funds			
		Abbey Life Assurance Co Ltd.			
		Albany Life Assurance Co Ltd.			
		AMEV Life Assurance Ltd.			
		Arrow Life Assurance.			
		Barclays Life Assurance Co.			
		Beehive Life Assurance.			
		71 Lombard St, London, EC3		01-623 1288	
132.5	102.6	Black Horse Bnd	..	127.6	..
		Canada Life Assurance.			
		2-6 High St, Potters Bar, Herts		P Bar 51122	
61.5	46.1	Equity Growth	..	59.2	..
121.0	89.5	Retirement	..	117.3	..
		Cannon Assurance Ltd.			
		1 Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB.		01-902 8876	
17.13	12.72	Equity Units £	17.04	..	..
10.15	10.00	Prop Units £	10.15	..	..

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		Schroder Life Group.			
		Enterprise House, Portsmouth.		0705 27733	
228.3	163.9	Equity Fnd (24)	228.3	..	..
221.0	167.4	Equity 2	221.0	..	..
120.5	105.7	Equity 3 (2)	118.6	..	..
147.7	125.1	Fixed Int (2)	137.1	..	..
138.6	134.6	Fixed Int 3 (2)	142.8	..	..
139.3	114.4	Int U T (2)	133.8	..	..
158.9	129.5	K & S Gilt (2)	142.0	..	..
134.3	112.8	K & S Gvt Sec (2)	128.5	..	..
191.8	105.7	Man (Flex) (2)	131.5	..	..
144.9	129.0	Managed 3 (2)	144.9	..	..
107.6	105.8	Money Fund (2)	107.6	..	..
117.7	115.9	Money Fnd 3 (2)	117.7	..	..
98.4	100.6	Overseas (4)	98.1	..	..
155.6	137.5	Property Fnd (2)	155.6	..	..
133.1	120.1	Property 3 (2)	133.2	..	..
121.2	108.9	B S Pen Cap B	121.2	..	..
132.0	113.0	B S Pen Acc B	132.6	..	..
200.6	148.2	Man Pen Cap B	200.2	..	..
238.2	168.4	Man Pen Acc B	238.2	..	..
95.7	98.0	FI Pen Cap B	95.7	..	..
96.8	98.2	FI Pen Acc B	96.2	..	..
96.0	100.0	Prop Pen Cap B	96.0	..	..
96.5	100.0	Prop Pen Acc B	96.5	..	..
95.6	100.0	Mon Pen Cap B	95.6	..	..
96.2	100.0	Mon Pen Acc B	96.2	..	..
		Scottish Widows Fund & Life Assurance.			
		PO Box 902, Edinburgh, EH16 5BU			
108.5	77.3	Inv Policy	..	103.1	..
100.6	77.2	Do Series (2)	..	97.3	..
		Solar Life Assurance Limited.			
		107 Cheapside, London, EC2 8DU			
129.0	100.0	Solar Managed s	127.3	..	..
111.8	100.0	Do Property s	111.8	..	..
163.5	99.1	Do Equity s	162.8	..	..
122.4	100.0	Do Fixed Int s	115.5	..	..
100.1	100.0	Do Cash s	100.1	..	..
103.4	100.0	Solar Int s	97.7	..	..
128.9	100.0	Solar Managed p	127.1	..	..
111.5	100.0	Do Property p	111.5	..	..
163.3	99.1	Do Equity p	162.5	..	..
122.3	100.0	Do Fixed Int p	114.8	..	..
99.9	100.0	Do Cash p	99.8	..	..
103.4	100.0	Solar Int p	97.7	..	..
		Standard Life Assurance Co.			
		PO Box 62, 3 George St, Edinburgh.			
117.1	91.3	Unit Endowment	..	..	..
		Sun Alliance Fund Management.			
		Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex.			
159.40	115.30	Ex Fix Int (18)	159.90	..	..
14.77	9.99	Int Bond £	..	..	..
		Sun Alliance Linked Life Insurance.			
		Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex.			
119.6	100.0	Equity Fund	119.6	..	..
105.6	100.0	Fixed Int Fund	105.2	..	..
109.0	100.0	Property Fund	108.5	..	..
111.6	95.2	Int Fund	104.6	..	..
99.9	100.0	Deposit Fund	99.9	..	..
109.6	98.7	Managed Fund	108.1	..	..
		Sun Life of Canada (UK) Ltd.			
		2-4 Cockspur St, SW1			
139.4	103.4	Managed (5)	..	..	..
210.3	133.3	Growth (5)	..	..	..
133.1	95.9	Equity (5)	..	..	..
206.2	142.7	Personal Pen (5)	..	..	..
		Target Life Assurance.			
		Target Hse, Aylesbury, Bucks.			
101.2	100.0	Deposit Inc		95.3	
114.8	105.4	Fixed Interest		109.1	
117.5	102.0	Man Fnd Acc		117.5	
106.0	88.0	Prop Bnd Inv		95.0	
107.8	95.3	Do Income		107.8	
138.0	106.0	Do Accum		..	
63.5	48.8	Ret Ann Pen Cap		59.9	
76.7	56.9	Do Accum		72.4	
135.1	105.4	Ret Plan Acc		128.3	
129.6	102.7	Do Do Cap		118.9	
142.3	95.6	Gilt Pen Acc		129.3	
140.8	95.0	Gilt Pen Cap		122.6	
		Trident Life.			
		Renslade Hse, Gloucester.			
124.1	109.9	Trident Man		121.0	
152.8	128.0	Do Guar Man		148.4	
148.4	119.8	Do Property		148.4	
88.5	79.9	Do Equity Am		83.9	
113.7	99.5	Do UK Equity		108.9	
142.6	117.0	Do High Yield		136.6	
130.00	108.90	Gilt Edged (1)		129.70	
123.0	116.8	Do Money		123.0	
111.8	90.6	Do Int Fund		109.8	
131.8	115.8	Do Fiscal Fnd		124.5	
124.4	32.5	Do Bonds		35.9	
104.8	87.7	Do GI Bonds		..	
130.4	95.0	Trident Growth		122.1	
131.3	95.0	Do Accum		129.8	
113.4	100.0	Pen Man Cap		111.9	
117.4	100.0	Do Accum		116.6	
102.3	100.0	Do Guar Dep		102.3	
106.6	100.0	Do Accum		106.6	
113.0	100.0	Do Pen Prop		113.6	
117.7	100.0	Do Accum		117.7	
		Tyndall Assurance.			
		18 Canynge Rd, Bristol.			
163.3	133.0	Bond Fnd (40)		..	
168.1	112.0	Equity Fnd (40)		..	
103.4	83.8	Prop Fnd (40)		..	
124.6	95.8	3 Way Fnd (40)		..	
78.3	61.0	O'seas Inv (40)		..	
		Vanbrugh Life Assurance Ltd.			
		41-43 Maddox St, London, W1R 9LA.			
146.2	117.7	Managed Fnd	146.1		
226.1	159.6	Equity Fnd	221.3		
221.6	145.3	Fixed Int Fnd	165.6		
170.7	119.3	Property Fnd	141.8		
115.9	115.0	Cash Fund	115.9		
104.2	84.4	Internat'l Fnd	100.1		
		Vanbrugh Pensions Limited.			
97.2	99.3	Managed Fnd	97.2		
101.9	100.0	Equity Fnd	101.9		
96.4	96.4	Fixed Int Fnd	95.8		
97.2	100.0	Property Fnd	97.2		
9.75	6.05	Guar Fnd (5)	..		
		Welfare Insurance.			
		The Leas, Folkestone, Kent.			
108.4	74.6	Money Maker	..		
		See also "The London & Manchester Group."			
		Offshore and International Funds			
		Arbuthnot Securities (CI) Ltd.			
		PO Box 284, St Helier, Jersey			
122.0	94.0	Capital Trust	118.0		
118.0	107.0	Eastern Int	118.0		
		Barbican Managers (Jersey) Ltd.			
		PO Box 63, St Helier, Jersey.			
97.7	89.7	Europ'n Ster Tst	96.6		
		Barclays Unicorn International (CI) Ltd.			
		Barclays Unicorn International (IOM) Ltd.			
		Britannia Trust Managers (CI) Ltd.			
		Calvin Bullock Ltd.			
		Charterhouse Japhet.			
		Cornhill Insurance (Guernsey) Ltd.			
		van Cutsem & Associates.			
		First General Unit Managers.			
		Gartmore Investment Management Ltd.			
		Hambros (Guernsey) Ltd.			
		Hill Samuel (CI) Trust Co Ltd.			
		Keyselex Bermuda Management Ltd.			
		Kemp-Gee Management Jersey Ltd.			
		Kleinwort Benson Ltd.			
		M & G Group.			
		Neptune International Fund Managers.			
		Olliver Heath & Co.			
		Rothschild Asset Management (CI).			
		Save & Prosper International.			
		Schroder Life Group.			
		Enterprise House, Portsmouth			
		International Funds			
		Surinvest (Jersey) Ltd.			
		Surinvest Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Tyndall Group (Bermuda).			
		Tyndall-Guardian Group (Bermuda).			
		Tyndall Group (Isle of Man).			
		Tyndall Group (Jersey).			

* Ex dividend. * Not available to the general public. † Guernsey gross yield. ‡ Previous price. ¶ Ex all. c Dealings suspended. e Ex dividend. f Cash value for £100 premium. g Bonus. h Estimated yield. k Yield before Jersey tax. p Periodic premium. s Single premium. Dealing or valuation days (1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. ... (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (23) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Tuesday of month. (26) 4th Thursday of month. (27) Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 4th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (33) 1st day of Feb, May, Aug, Nov. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of month. (38) 2nd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) Valued monthly.

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BRITISH FUNDS

1977/78 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
	99	Exch 5% 1976-78	99	..	5.048	9.589
	96	Treas 11½% 1979	101¼	..	11.356	9.388
	94	Treas 3% 1979	95¼	..	3.137	8.924
	85	Elec 4¼% 1974-79	95	..	4.439	7.898
	92	Treas 10½% 1979	100	..	10.486	10.332
	84	Elec 3½% 1976-79	95	..	3.681	6.763
	87	Treas Cnv 9% 1980	97	..	9.280	10.910
	88	Treas 9½% 1980	97	..	9.725	10.911
	85	Treas 3½% 1977-80	93	..	3.737	7.038
	83	Fund 5½% 1978-80	94	..	5.378	8.894
	96	Exch 13% 1980	103	..	12.554	11.200
	92	Treas 11½% 1981	100	..	11.442	11.343
	77	Treas 3¼% 1979-81	89	..	3.900	7.961
	85	Treas 9¾% 1981	95	..	10.124	11.353
	81	Exch 8¼% 1981	93	..	8.871	11.125
	84	Exch 9½% 1981	95	..	9.888	11.396
	85	Exch 3% 1981	86	..	3.489	8.307
	96	Exch 12¼% 1981	103	..	12.341	11.501
	83	Treas 8½% 1980-82	92	..	9.165	11.039
	72	Treas 3% 1982	84	..	3.571	8.294
	101	Treas 14% 1982	106	..	13.188	11.649
	88	Treas 8¼% 1982	90	..	9.129	11.324
	81	Exch 9¼% 1982	91	..	10.068	11.730
	89	Exch 8¾% 1983	90	..	9.682	11.882
	75	Exch 3% 1983	79	..	3.756	8.352
	85	Treas 12% 1983	101	..	11.886	11.589
	85	Treas 9½% 1983	94	..	10.196	11.760
	72	Fund 5½% 1982-84	81	..	6.718	9.836
	77	Treas 8½% 1984-86	87	..	9.713	10.880
	67	Fund 6½% 1985-87	79	..	8.356	10.413
	68	Treas 7½% 1985-88	80	..	9.599	11.087
	49	Trans 3% 1978-88	62	..	4.799	8.704
	54	Treas 5% 1986-89	66	..	7.662	10.278
	96	Treas 13% 1990	103	..	12.561	12.412
	67	Treas 8¼% 1987-90	79	..	10.467	11.568
	90	Treas 11¾% 1991	95	..	12.357	12.529
	54	Fund 5¾% 1987-91	65	..	8.846	11.038
	86	Treas 12¾% 1992	100	..	12.658	12.636
	88	Treas 10% 1992	85	..	11.845	12.393
	85	Exch 12¼% 1992	101	..	12.606	12.688
	84	Treas 12½% 1993	98	..	12.647	12.673
	51	Fund 6% 1993	63	..	9.617	11.456
	96	Treas 13¾% 1993	107	..	12.987	12.849
	99	Treas 14½% 1994	110	..	13.095	12.884
	94	Exch 12½% 1994	103	..	12.742	12.783
	69	Treas 9% 1994	79	..	11.832	12.104
	93	Treas 12% 1995	95	..	12.585	12.675
	32	Gas 3% 1990-95	44	..	6.896	9.936
	82	Exch 10¼% 1995	84	..	12.124	12.466
	87	Treas 12¾% 1995	102	..	12.787	12.735
	67	Treas 9% 1992-96	78	..	11.726	12.241
	101	Treas 15¼% 1996	118	..	13.237	13.097
	89	Exch 13¼% 1996	105	..	12.860	12.807
	32	Rdmptn 3% 1986-96	43	..	7.016	9.797
	87	Treas 13¼% 1997	102	..	12.984	12.918
	88	Exch 10½% 1997	88	..	12.337	12.565
	69	Treas 8¾% 1997	77	..	11.788	12.240
	51	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	62	..	11.136	11.984
	103	Treas 15½% 1998	121	..	13.210	13.033
	83	Exch 12% 1998	95	..	12.673	12.732
	68	Treas 9½% 1999	79	..	12.035	12.327
	83	Treas 10½% 1999	86	..	12.410	12.569
	37	Fund 3½% 1999-04	35	..	9.798	11.078
	57	Treas 8% 2002-06	68	..	12.046	12.262
	40	Treas 5½% 2008-12	48	..	11.806	12.054
	55	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	69	..	12.136	12.223
	26	Consols 4%	31	..	12.874	..
	28	War Ln 3½%	30	..	11.588	..
	28	Conv 3½%	34	..	10.411	..
	20	Treas 3%	24	..	12.674	..
	17	Consols 2½%	20	..	12.236	..
	17	Treas. 2½% Aft 75	20	..	12.639	..

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. Yield	Red. Yield
	79	Aust 5½% 77-80	93	–¼	5.924	10.935
	69	Aust 5½% 81-82	83	–¼	6.709	11.623
	65	Aust 6% 81-83	78	–¼	7.637	11.519
	77	Aust 7% 79-81	90	–¼	7.883	11.756
	90	Chilean Mixed	90	..	..	..
	61	E Africa 5¾% 77-83	72	..	7.785	13.274
	197	German 4½% 1930	400	..	..	..
	32	Hungary 4½% 1924	50	..	..	..
	88	Ireland 7¾% 81-83	83	..	..	..
	84	Jamaica 7¾% 77-79	97	..	7.948	10.458
	225	Japan Ass 4% 1910	386	–2	..	..
	53	Japan 6% 83-88	68	..	..	..
	65	Kenya 5% 78-82	78	..	6.539	13.522
	69	Malaya 7¾% 78-82	86	..	8.834	11.992
	81	N Z 6% 76-80	94	..	6.867	11.520
	53	N Z 7½% 88-92	69	..	10.794	12.442
	66	N Z 7¾% 83-86	82	..	9.179	11.895
	74	S Rhd 6% 78-81	88	..	6.798	11.445
	74	Nyasa 6% 78-81	88	..	6.768	11.344
	142	Peru 6% Ass	142	..	..	..
	82	S Africa 9½% 79-81	94	..	..	..
	30	S Rhd 2½% 65-70	51	..	..	..
	30	S Rhd 4½% 87-92	43	..	..	..
	44	S Rhd 6% 78-81	60	..	..	..
	45	Spanish 4%	50	..	..	..
	67	Tang 5½% 78-82	80	..	7.149	13.101
	69	Uruguay 3½%	96	..	..	..

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. Yield	Red. Yield
	20	L C C 3% 1920	23	..	13.442	..
	64	L C C 5% 80-83	78	..	6.348	10.851
	72	L C C 5½% 77-81	84	..	6.507	11.432
	62	L C C 5½% 82-84	78	–¼	7.047	10.828
	53	L C C 5½% 85-87	67	–¼	8.167	11.445
	81	L C C 6% 76-79	95	..	6.298	10.891
	58	L C C 6¾% 88-90	66	–¼	10.141	12.123
	83	G L C 9½% 80-82	95	..	10.654	12.401
	82	G L C 9¾% 80-82	92	..	10.296	11.827
	92	G L C 12½% 1982	101	..	12.360	11.988
	91	G L C 12½% 1983	100	..	12.313	12.108
	70	C of L 6¾% 80-82	85	..	7.851	12.041
	69	Ag Mt 7% 81-84	83	–¼	9.605	12.307
	58	Ag Mt 7½% 91-93	67	–¼	11.812	13.113
	58	Ag Mt 6½% 85-90	65	..	10.505	12.673
	73	Belfast 6½% 77-80	89	..	7.282	11.918
	84	Brighton 6¾% 76-79	97	..	6.863	10.139
	88	Camden 6½% 77-79	97	..	6.657	10.221
	72	Croydon 6¾% 78-81	89	..	7.689	12.117
	85	Edin 6½% 77-79	98	..	6.632	10.033
	80	Glasgow 9¼% 80-82	91	..	10.182	11.978
	89	Gwich 6¾% 76-78	99	..	6.799	10.364
	96	Liverpl 13½% 1981	103	..	13.085	12.184
	22	Met Water B 3% 34-03	28	..	10.944	12.625
	78	N I 6½% 79-80	91	..	7.101	12.986
	80	N I 7% 82-84	78	..	9.280	13.154
	65	N I Elec 6¼% 81-83	81	..	8.021	11.943
	84	Sthend 9¼% 77-79	97	..	5.394	10.358
	60	Swark 6¾% 83-86	77	–¼	8.885	11.243
	77	Surrey 6% 78-80	91	..	6.556	11.676

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E

Investment Dollar Premium 103¼% (103¼%). Premium Conversion Factor 0.6749.

FOREIGN STOCKS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Div pence	Yld %	P/E
	49	Bayer	231	–1	188	3.1	21.8
	11½	Commerzbank	£17¼	–¼	45.0	2.5	19.3
	17½	Cp Fn Paris	£31	–¼	156	5.0	10.1
	43	EBES	£34	–¼	301	3.6	..
	14	Ericsson	£24	–¼	59.1	2.6	30.5
	6	Finsider	9	..	..	..	..
	4	Grangas	£8	–¼	..	..	..
	366	Hoechst	480	–6	15.8	3.3	15.8
	5	Montecatini	13	..	..	..	..
	478	Robeco fl.5	609	–15	29.9	4.9	34.8
	325	Rolinco Subs fl 5	468	–11	..	..	60.4
	3	Snia Viscosa	65	..	..	..	..
	7	Thyssen-Huette	£9	–¼	29.1	3.2	14.9
	42	Volkswagen	£8	–¼	..	..	..

DOLLAR STOCKS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Div pence	Yld %	P/E
	8¼	Brascan	£11¼	–¼	59.5	5.5	3.7
	6	BP Canada	£10¼	–¼	..	..	..
	9¼	Can Pac Ord	£13¼	–¼	47.9	3.6	8.8
	8	El Paso	£12¼	–¼	41.7	3.3	23.7
	27½	Exxon Corp	£25¼	–¼	..	..	..
	39	Fluor	£29¼	–¼	65.7	3.3	12.1
	10	Hollinger	£25¼	–¼	..	..	..
	24	Hud Bay Oil	£33	–¼	..	..	..
	14	Husky Oil	£20¼	–¼	..	..	..
	9	INCO	£12	–¼	51.7	4.3	18.5
	6	IU Int	£9	..	46.2	5.1	9.4
	16	Kaiser Alum	£25	+¼	87.7	3.5	..
	6	Massey-Ferg	£9	–¼	58.1	6.2	14.9
	11	Norton Simon	£14¼	–¼	43.7	3.0	11.7
	20	Pacific Petrol	£27¼	–¼	..	..	..
	17	Pan Canadian	£22¼	–¼	..	..	..
	130	Steep Rock	185	–5	..	..	..
	8	Trans Can P.	£10¼	–¼	..	..	..
	17	US Steel	£21	–¼	..	..	..
	725	White Pass	725	..	15.8	2.2	21.0
	7	Zapata Corp	£12¼	–¼	15.7	1.2	38.3

BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Div pence	Yld %	P/E
	185	Alexs Discount	234	+4	21.7	9.3	5.3
	218	Allen H & Ross	303	..	29.1	9.6	6.7
	99	Allied Irish	194	–3	11.4	5.9	4.7
	108	Arb-Latham	183	..	18.3	10.0	9.8
	180	ANZ Grp	275	–3	10.9	4.0	9.2
	18	Bank America	£17¼	–¼	49.0	2.7	12.3
	202	Bk of Ireland	388	–3	22.7	5.9	6.3
	14	Bk Leumi Israel	18	..	0.4	2.2	13.4
	160	Bk Leumi UK	160	..	11.2	7.0	14.3
	370	Bk of NSW	568	–7	19.3	3.4	12.2
	228	Bk of Scotland	285	+3	16.5	5.8	7.3
	21	Bnks Trst NY	£27¼	–1¼	161	5.9	10.1
	227	Barclays Bank	330	+5	20.1b	6.3	5.8
	115	Brown Shipley	225	..	14.1	6.3	7.3
	195	Cater Ryder	256	..	25.6	10.0	..
	17	Chase Man	£24¼	–¼	114	4.6	11.0
	13	Citicorp	£16¼	–¼	61.6	3.4	11.1
	51	Clive Discount	77	–1	7.0	9.1	5.8
	170	Com Bk of Aust	215	–3	9.4	4.4	10.0
	115	Com Bk of Syd	163	–2	7.8	4.7	..
	12	CC De France	£23¼	..	95.0	4.1	16.5
	1	First Nat Fin	2¼	..	..	..	..
	7	Fraser Ans	10¼	..	..	..	..
	139	Gerrard & Nat	178	+1	12.4	7.0	4.7
	37	Gibbs A.	41	+1	3.3	8.1	17.6
	161	Gillett Bros	225	..	23.0	10.2	5.6
	56	Grindlays Hldgs	115	..	4.2	3.6	3.9
	159	Guinness Peat	242	+2	16.2	6.7	12.0
	12	Hambros £10	£15	..	146	9.7	..
	142	Do Ord	175	+2	14.6	8.3	7.4
	74	Hill Samuel	97	+1	7.4	8.2	7.5
	202	Hong K & Shang	316	–17	7.7b	2.4	21.7
	48	Jessel Toynbee	56	..	5.0	8.8	..
	115	Joseph L.	210	..	12.0	5.7	10.4
	21	Keyser Ullmann	50	–3	1.8	3.6	6.7
	42	King & Shaxson	59	+1	5.2	8.8	4.5
	78	Kleinwort Ben	97	+3	6.2	6.4	7.1
	185	Lloyds Bank	275	+2	13.8	5.0	8.5
	92	Mercury Secs	111	+1	5.7	5.1	5.8
	256	Midland	355	+2	22.4a	6.3	5.3
	38	Minster Assets	58	+¼	5.3	9.1	5.2
	188	Nat of Aust	224	–5	9.3	4.2	8.9
	58	Nat Com Bk Grp	73	+1	4.2	5.7	5.4
	205	Nat W'minster	278	+5	17.4	6.3	3.7
	29	Ottoman	£43	..	280	6.5	9.8
	45	Rea Bros	50	..	2.5	5.0	10.0
	14	Royal of Can	£22¼	–¼	71.8	3.1	23.8
	380	Schroders	400	..	17.3	4.3	8.9
	188	Seccombe Mar	210	..	20.2	9.6	9.7
	51	Smith St Aubyn	76	..	7.8	10.0	..
	283	Standard Chart	397	+7	29.3	7.4	5.0
	215	Union Discount	315	..	24.0	7.6	5.2
	37	Wintrust	69	..	4.6	6.7	17.6

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Div pence	Yld %	P/E
	58	Allied	84¼	..	6.2	7.3	11.6
	87	Bass Charrgton	185	..	7.6	4.0	10.4
	26	Belhaven Grp	51	+1	..	..	..
	78	Bell A.	234	..	7.4	3.1	8.4
	54	Boddingtons	107	..	4.0	3.7	10.8
	64	Brown M.	110	..	6.1	5.5	12.9
	96	Bulmer HP Hldgs	125	+3	4.9	2.9	7.4
	76	Burtonwood	157	..	5.2	3.3	9.3
	40	C of Ldn Dfd	60	..	3.6	6.1	23.6
	100	Devenish	184	..	9.1	5.0	9.7
	119	Distillers	188	+3	9.9	5.3	11.0
	58	Greenall	115	..	4.3	3.8	11.8
152		Greene King	272	..	13.1	4.8	13.2
124		Guinness	159	..	11.0	6.9	7.5
	95	Hardys & H'sons	173	..	10.9	6.3	11.6
	53	Highland	132	+3	4.4	3.3	19.8
	36	Invergordon	105	+1	3.4	3.2	9.7
	42	Irish Distillers	133	..	6.1	4.0	10.4
	51	Marston	69	..	2.7	3.9	10.8
	45	Scot & Newcastle	63	..	5.2	8.2	6.4
	13	Seagram	£18	..	45.7	2.5	13.2
	40	SA Breweries	80	–3	7.0	8.7	4.3
	43	Tomatin	114	+1	4.5	4.0	14.1
	57	Vaux	114	..	6.1	5.3	11.9
	59	Whitbread 'A'	93	–¼	6.0	6.4	5.9
	60	Do B	90	..	6.0	6.2	2.7
	56	Whitbread Inv	90	..	6.1	6.8	21.8
	114	Wolverhampton	206	..	9.2	4.4	12.2

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

A — B

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
128	77	AAH	102	..	9.2	9.0	7.5
42	26	AC Cars	36	..	1.4	4.0	7.6
89	39½	AGB Research	96	+4	5.2a	5.4	10.0
239½	134	APV Hldgs	218	+3	8.7	4.0	8.0
73	43	Aeronson Bros	68	–1	3.0	4.4	6.3
116	62	Acrow	112	+2	3.6	3.2	12.7
86	52	Do A	84	..	3.6	4.3	9.6
45½	11	Adda Int	44½	..	1.0	2.3	8.2
282	150	Adwest Group	262	..	15.2	5.8	7.2
63	34	Aeron't & Gen	58	..	3.5	6.0	10.3
62	42	Airfix Ind	52	+1	4.6	8.8	6.9
11½	7¼	Akzo	£10¼	–¼	..	..	..
187	70	Albright & W.	187	..	7.0	3.7	12.3
162	147	Alcan Ord	148	..	15.0	10.1	4.7
95	69	Do 10½%	£81½	..	1050	12.9	..
160	71	Do 9% Cav	£145	..	900	6.2	..
300	205	Alginate Ind	270	+5	21.2	7.8	7.9
77	44	Allen E. Balfour	47	..	6.6	14.0	9.9
58	29½	Allen W. G.	47	..	4.3	9.1	5.2
100¼	44½	Allied Colloids	71	..	2.6	3.6	13.1
74	43	Allied Insulators	71	..	6.3	8.8	5.4
17	7½	Allied Plant	15	..	1.1	7.1	8.6
79	19	Alpine Hldgs	67	..	3.8	5.6	17.3
330	210	Amal Metal	330	..	24.0	7.3	13.4
141	57¼	Amal Power	140	..	8.0	5.7	3.7
41	21	Amber Day	40	..	3.0	7.6	5.7
28	8	Amber Ind Hldgs	26	..	0.8	3.0	4.8
96	41	Anchor Chem	67	..	6.3	9.3	4.3
69½	34	Anderson Strath	69½	..	4.7	6.9	6.5
95	48½	Anglia TV 'A'	86	–2	8.1	9.3	5.6
380	300	Anglo Amer Ind	370	–10	42.2	7.4	6.1
42	22	Ang Swiss Hldgs	33	..	..	..	..
98	49	Appleyard	98	+2	9.5a	9.7	7.9
43½	18½	Aquascutum 'A'	43½	+3½	2.3	5.3	9.1
134	66¼	Arlington Mtr	129	+1	11.7	9.2	9.7
75	38	Armitage Shanks	71	..	6.5	9.2	11.1
73	39	Armst Equip	63	+1	3.2	5.0	10.8
94	58¼	Ass Biscuit	77	..	4.8	6.2	5.2
250	85	Ass Book	225	..	6.1	2.7	7.4
76½	48	Ass Brit Food	65	..	3.5	5.4	6.7
142	82	Ass Engineer	109	..	8.3	7.6	5.6
71	38	Ass Fisheries	41	–1	4.6	11.1	4.0
64	39½	Ass Leisure	64	–2½	4.6	7.1	6.4
186	121	Ass News	167	..	7.2	4.3	7.0
68	20	Ass Paper	59	–1	4.6	7.7	6.3
119	69½	Ass Tel 'A'	115	..	9.9	8.6	6.8
38	23	Ass Tooling	32	..	3.5a	10.8	11.9
48	23	Astbury & Mdley	48	..	7.8	3.6	5.4
38	27	Atkins Bros	50	..	5.6	11.1	5.6
43	18	Audiotronic	19	–1	..	..	4.7
38	22	Ault & Wiborg	37	–1	3.0	8.0	7.5
99	56	Aurora Hldgs	93	..	8.0	8.6	4.3
102	30	Austin E.	98	..	5.8	5.9	4.5
87	30	Automotive Pd	83	..	2.1	2.5	8.6
40	14½	Avana Grp	39¼	–¼	1.7	4.2	7.2
174	113	Averys	161	+1	8.8	5.5	9.4
218	74	Avon Rubber	208	+2	14.1	6.8	3.0
347	235	B.A.T. Ind	315	+3	22.6	7.2	5.7
295	203	Do Dfd	265	–5	..	..	..
68	39	BBA Grp	51	..	3.6	7.1	5.2
124	71	BET Dfd	106	+1	8.1	7.6	8.0
136	87	BICC	122	–1	10.7	8.8	10.5
82	61	BOC Int	72	+1	5.3	7.4	5.2
278	121	BPB Ind	220	+1	11.6	5.3	4.9
56	28	BPM Hldgs 'A'	51	..	4.3a	8.5	6.3
42¼	17½	BSG Int	41½	–¼	3.2	7.8	4.0
151	86	BSR Ltd	96	–1	7.2	7.5	6.3
277	129½	BTR Ltd	277	+2	12.7	4.6	9.3
144	70	Babcock & W	132	..	8.0	6.0	6.5
36	21	Baggeridge Brk	31	..	3.5	11.4	9.5
9¼	3	Bailey C.H. Ord	5¼	–¼	0.3	6.0	41.3
180	83	Baird W.	167	+2	14.1	8.4	5.5
112	65	Baker Perkins	95	..	6.5	6.9	3.2
53	26½	Bambergers	49	..	4.9	10.0	7.8
83	14	Bambers Stores	83	..	2.3	2.8	6.2
15	3¼	Barker & Dbson	11½	+¼	..	..	29.5
240	144	Barlow Rand	225	–10	17.7	7.9	4.4
109	39	Barr & Wallace	107	..	5.6	5.3	3.6
106	37	Do A	106	..	5.6	5.3	3.5
128	56¼	Barratt Devs	102	..	12.2	12.0	4.8
54	28	Barrow Hepbn	29	..	5.6	19.2	5.0
59	33¼	Barton & Sons	59	..	4.1	7.0	6.1
156	60	Bassett G.	121	..	8.6	7.1	6.0
99	38	Bath & P'land	74	–2	5.2	7.0	4.2
77	34	Beales J.	77	+2	4.4	5.7	3.3
202	66	Beatson Clark	183	–1	7.8	4.3	4.8
52	25½	Beaufort Grp	48	..	5.1	10.5	8.0
74	48	Beckman A.	74	..	7.4	10.0	8.2
690	372	Beecham Grp	660	–2	28.2	4.3	12.8
83	39½	Bejam Grp	65	–1	2.3	3.6	8.1
85	54	Bemrose Corp	70	..	5.8	8.3	9.3
78	28	Benn Bros	75	..	3.6	4.8	12.1
146	74¼	Berisf'd S & W	146	..	6.5	4.5	5.2
62	31	Berisfords	56	..	3.7	6.6	4.7
57	36	Best & May	56	..	4.3	7.6	9.6
166	122	Bestobell	156	+1	14.3	9.2	7.0
69	28	Bett Bros	59	..	2.7a	4.6	9.2
249	102	Bibby J.	234	..	9.9	4.2	4.4
56	26½	Bifurcated Eng	46	..	4.3	9.3	4.6
84	50	Birm'gham Mint	72	..	6.6	9.2	7.8
123	68	Black & Edg'tn	110	..	6.6	6.0	13.4
63	32¼	Blackwd Hodge	60	–3	2.9	4.9	6.2
30	15	Blackwood Mt	26	..	..	..	14.9
250	122	Blagden & N	250	..	18.2	7.3	10.7
284	153	Blue Circle Ind	243	+5	14.2	5.8	6.2
72	39	Blundell Perm	71	+1	4.8	6.8	6.9
13	7½	Boardman K. O.	12½	..	1.5	11.8	3.3
73	37	Bodycote	59	..	3.4	5.8	5.7
35	17	Bonser Eng	25	–1	2.2	8.8	7.2
265	128	Booker McCon	255	+2	10.7	4.2	7.4
212	84	B'sey & Hwkes	167	..	7.7	4.6	6.8
161	87	Boot H.	158	..	13.9	8.8	6.8
242	115	Boots	207	..	6.0	2.9	14.6
97	45	Borthwick T.	49	+2	9.4	19.2	6.7
17¼	11¼	Boulton W.	16½	+½	1.7	10.4	6.7
218	160	Bowater Corp	186	–2	14.7	7.9	8.5
66	34	Bowthrpe Hldgs	50½	+2	2.5a	4.9	6.0
100	62	Braby Leslie	94	..	8.0	8.5	3.9
76	60	Brady Ind	65	..	8.6	13.2	12.3
73	54	Do A	54	..	8.6	15.9	10.2
45	23¼	Braham Millar	38	..	2.4	6.4	4.8
45	17	Braid Grp	39½	..	2.2	5.6	5.7
179	67½	Braithwaite	130	..	11.7	9.0	7.3
152	46½	Brammer H.	148	..	6.4	4.3	9.7
91	38	Bremner	57	..	5.8	10.1	14.4
191	70¼	Brent Chem Int	179	..	4.7	2.6	15.0
64	28	Brent Walker	58	–1	1.9	3.3	22.8
45	22	Brickhouse Dud	43	..	3.6	8.5	6.4
172	90	Bridon	98	..	9.3	9.5	9.7
41½	27½	Bright J. Grp	29½	..	3.7	12.4	10.1
49	29	Brit Car Auctn	45	+1½	3.8b	8.3	11.1
246	137	Brit Home Strs	188	..	9.5	5.1	15.2
38	20	Brit Leyland	23	..	..	..	..
129½	72	Brit Northrop	81	..	9.1	11.2	3.2
53	31	Brit Printing	49	..	4.8	9.8	4.4
93	50	Brit Sim Spec	87	..	7.8	8.9	7.6
124	69¼	Brit Sugar	111	..	7.2b	6.5	2.8
70¼	39½	Brit Syphon Ind	61	..	4.6	7.5	4.4
58¼	30½	Brit Tar Prod	57½	+½	2.1	3.6	10.6
95	38¼	Brit Vita	95	+1	2.7	2.8	4.1
30	23½	Brittains	27	..	2.3	8.4	7.0
71½	44	Brockhouse Ltd	66	..	5.8	8.8	6.3
86	41	Brocks Grp	70	..	5.2	7.4	12.7
715	385	Broken Hill	680	–20	19.5	2.9	86.0
40	26	Bronx Eng	30	..	2.4	7.9	4.5
72	35	Brook St Bur	68	..	6.4	9.4	13.7
56	38	Brooke Bond	44½	..	4.3	9.7	3.7
37	17	Brooke Tool	36	–2	3.8b	10.4	7.6
158	49	Brotherhood F.	129	–3	9.6a	7.5	11.8
138	23	Brown & J'kson	134	–2	1.5	1.1	11.8
100	74	Brown & Tawse	96	..	7.3	7.6	5.5
60	22	BBK	53	+1	3.3	6.3	6.7
27	12	Brown Bros Cp	24½	..	1.6	6.6	14.1
402	98	Brown J	402	+4	13.2a	3.3	4.1
124	86	Bruntons	102	..	10.6b	10.4	9.1
58	17	Bryant Hldgs	47	..	3.6	7.6	9.9
143	81½	Bullough Ltd	140	..	9.3	6.7	5.8
55	26	Bulmer & Lumb	55	..	4.7	8.6	4.5
120	87	Bunzl Pulp	104	..	7.4	7.1	4.6
81	35	Burco Dean	74	..	6.2	8.4	7.4
52	22	Burgess Prod	48	..	3.5	7.4	7.4
193	64	Burnett H'shire	193	+3	4.3	2.2	5.1
192	63	Do A NV	192	+3	4.3	2.3	5.0
39½	16	Burns And'son	38	..	2.3	6.0	3.5
17¼	9	Burrell & Co	12¼	..	1.4	11.0	20.2
188	130	Burt Boulton	175	..	15.2	8.7	5.0
142	51	Burton Grp	119	+2	2.3	1.9	..
130	39	Do A	117	–3	2.3	1.9	..
69	30	Butterfld-Harvy	63	+1	3.4a	5.3	8.6

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1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
35	14¼	CH Industrials	34	–1	3.0	8.8	6.0
56½	35½	Cadbury Sch	54½	+1	4.6	8.5	7.0
131	70	Caffyns	114	..	9.7	8.5	7.4
62	48	C'bread Robey	62	+4	2.5	4.0	16.4
134	30	Campari	117	..	3.0	2.6	6.0
121	64	Do B	104	..	..	..	..
82	45½	Camrex Hldgs	62	..	5.0	8.1	5.2
67	36	Canning W.	62	..	5.3	8.6	5.6
136	97	Cape Ind	125	..	12.4	9.9	3.3
102	37	Caplan Profile	100	..	7.3	7.3	6.5
90	33¼	Capper Neill	82½	..	3.2	3.9	4.1
96	33	Caravans Int	79	+2	7.3	9.2	3.0
72	35	Carclo Eng	72	..	4.5	6.3	5.5
51	29	Carless Capel	34	..	1.4	4.1	9.5
201	59	Carlton Ind	193	+1	8.3	4.3	7.4
76	39	Carpets Int	57	..	..	..	14.5
68	16½	Carr J. (Don)	46	–1	1.4	3.1	7.1
43½	23¼	Carr'ton Vly	37½	..	3.2	8.5	4.7
110	63¼	Carroll P. J.	95	..	9.7	10.2	7.3
45	28	Casket S Hldgs	39	..	3.3	8.5	4.6
35	7	Causton Sir J.	17	..	..	..	4.2
165	88	Cawoods	139	..	5.3	3.8	10.2
36½	12	Celestion	30½	+½	1.1	3.7	6.0
84	33¼	Cement Rdstone	84	..	4.5	5.3	8.1
63½	28	Cen & Sheer	63½	..	3.6	5.6	9.3
60	35¼	Central Man	52	..	4.6	8.8	3.5
263	68¼	Centreway Ltd	238	+2	17.5	7.3	6.7
52	34	Ch'mbn & Hill	50	..	4.1	8.3	3.5
58½	27½	Chamberl'n Grp	46	..	4.2	9.1	5.0
33	8½	Change Wares	20½	..	0.6b	3.0	16.4
24½	17	Do Cnv Cum	21	+1	1.8	8.7	..
129	81	Chloride Grp	115	–2	7.8	6.8	11.0
110	57	Christies Int	118	..	5.0	4.5	9.6
51	27	Christy Bros	49	..	4.3	8.7	4.7
146	93	Chubb & Sons	121	..	5.9	4.9	6.9
198	57	Church & Co	162	..	5.1	3.2	6.5
79	48	Coalite & Chem	66	..	4.2	6.4	4.7
79	50	Coates Bros	71	–1	3.5	5.0	6.9
77	45	Do A	70	–1	3.5	5.0	6.8
84	57	Coats Patons	73	..	4.9	6.8	4.9
130	45	Cole R. H	116	–2	5.6	4.8	5.9
62	33	Collett D'son	56	..	5.0	8.8	3.9
186	99	Collins W.	135	–1	7.0	5.2	8.4
186	98	Do A	130	–1	7.0	5.4	8.1
38	14	Comben Grp	29	..	2.6	8.9	9.5
101	59	Comb Eng Strs	99	..	4.9	5.0	11.2
133	30	Comet Radiov'n	128	..	3.9	3.0	11.6
114	64	CompAir	93	..	5.7	6.2	7.4
37½	20	Compton Webb	34	..	2.8	8.3	8.7
30	16	Cook W.	30	+2	2.6	8.7	6.6
65	37	Cope Allman	62	–1	5.2	8.4	6.3
17	9	Copson F.	15	..	1.1	7.5	7.6
38	16½	Corah	34½	..	2.8	8.1	4.6
144	54½	Coral Leisure	95	..	9.1a	9.5	5.6
72	33	Cornercroft	65	..	6.3b	9.7	13.7
59¼	23¼	Cosalt	55	+1	3.4	6.2	5.0
221¼	89¼	Costain R.	186	..	3.9	2.1	4.2
46	8	Countryside	45½	+½	1.8	4.0	15.9
112	73	Courts (Furn)	108	+1	5.3	4.9	6.6
109	73	Do A NV	108	+1	5.3	4.9	6.6
135	90	Courtaulds	121	–1	11.4	9.4	10.9
72	30	Courtney Pope	61	..	3.6	5.9	8.7
78	30¼	C'wan de Groot	70	..	3.5	4.9	4.2
44½	23	Cowie T	38	..	2.7	7.1	3.4
44	15	Crellon Hldgs	17	+1	..	..	..
89	28	Crest Nicholson	83	..	5.6	6.7	9.8
72	43	Croda Int	55½	+1	3.3	5.9	6.7
43	25	Cronite Grp	40	..	3.7	9.3	13.4
87	23	Cropper J.	67	+2	2.3	3.4	3.4
169	94	Crosby Hse	161	..	..	..	..
104	45	Crossley Bldg	104	..	6.3	6.0	14.6
98	48	Crouch D.	91	..	6.0	6.6	7.6
73½	25	Crouch Grp	69	..	4.2	6.0	12.1
61	32¼	Crown House	60	..	4.7	7.9	8.9
45	28	Crowther J.	34	–1	1.0	2.9	..
147	83	Cum'ns En Cv	196	+1	375	3.9	..
184	63½	Dale Electric	150	..	4.1	2.8	15.0
23¼	14	Dana Corp	£22¼	–¼	67.2	3.0	..
19½	9¼	Dartmouth Inv	18½	..	1.9	10.2	4.0
140	76½	Davies & New	130	..	11.1	8.5	19.9
95	29	Davis G.	94	..	5.0	5.3	4.2
298	150	Davy Int	251	..	15.5	6.2	8.4
640	380	De Beers Ind	630	–10	44.6	7.1	11.8
35	21	Dennison Hldgs	35	..	3.2	9.1	7.8
118	64¼	Debenhams	90	..	8.0	8.9	8.6
360	128¼	De La Rue	357	..	15.2	4.2	6.8
580	233	Decca	412	+2	16.6	4.0	11.8
555	223	Do A	402	+2	16.6	4.1	11.5
81	49	Delta Metal	68½	+1	7.6	10.9	8.7
100	66	Denbyware	85	..	8.2	9.7	..
178	82	De Vere Hotels	160	..	7.1	4.4	23.2
65	20¼	Dewhirst I. J.	64	..	2.0	3.1	6.0
143	89	DRG	118	–1	10.6	9.0	9.3
178	57	Diploma Inv	170	–1	5.8	3.4	10.3
74	28	Dixon D	70	..	3.8	5.4	31.1
176	63	Dixons Photo	137	..	3.4	2.5	6.7
64	20	Dixor	57	..	0.9b	1.6	55.3
100	40¼	Dobson Park	90	–1	6.1	6.1	6.0
84	41	Dom Hldgs	79	..	7.0	8.9	11.4
81	40	Dorada Hldgs	80	..	6.9	8.7	6.7
105	43¼	Douglas R M.	95	..	4.8	5.1	6.6
29½	17	Dow'd & Mills	29	..	1.7	5.9	13.4
250	105	Downing G H.	230	+8	17.3	7.5	3.4
228	93	Dowty Grp	226	+9	6.7	3.0	14.4
27	12½	Drake & Scull	27	..	..	..	4.1
31	14	Dreamland Elec	31	..	1.9	6.2	5.7
39¼	27½	Dufay	36	..	2.1	5.8	13.4
123	72	Dunlop Hldgs	83	..	8.0	9.7	6.1
17¼	5½	Duple Int	17	..	1.0b	5.9	6.7
67½	57½	Duport	72	+2½	6.8	9.5	4.9
134	41	Durapipe Int	134	..	6.2	5.0	7.5
51½	26	Dutton For	49½	..	4.3	8.8	3.8
37	21	Dykes J. Hldgs	27	..	..	..	..
253	129	E M I	137	..	14.0	10.2	5.1
126	22¼	ERF Hldgs	120	..	3.7	3.1	5.5
55	35	E Lancs Paper	54	+1	5.0	9.3	5.7
109	22	Eastern Prod	97	..	6.6	6.8	2.7
125	56	Eastwood J. B.	123	..	5.9	4.8	6.3
184	105	Edbro	184	..	9.6	5.2	5.7
45	19	Eleco Hldgs	42½	..	2.9	6.8	11.6
52	32	EIS	52	+1	4.5	8.7	8.5
475	89	Electrocomps	475	+5	7.5	1.6	62.1
26½	15	Electronic Mach	24	..	..	..	..
131	48	Electr'nic Rent	122	+2	7.6	6.2	7.6
131	39½	Elliott B.	131	..	5.1	6.2	4.5
44	14	Elliott Grp	20	..	..	..	6.3
97	66	Ellis & Everard	93	–3	7.6	8.2	17.2
27	14¼	Ellis & Gold	25½	..	2.9	11.3	10.9
102	37	Elson & Robbins	69	..	5.0	5.6	7.0
21¼	10	Elswick Hopper	17	..	1.5	8.8	5.1
202	82½	Empire Stores	162	..	7.3	4.5	12.8
16½	4¼	Energy Serv	16	..	0.5	2.8	14.0
36	22	England J E.	36	..	2.2	7.7	6.1
34	25	English & O'seas	28	..	0.9	3.1	15.6
106	50	English Card Cl	85	..	4.5	5.3	4.6
109	69¼	Eng China Clay	75	..	6.0	7.9	8.3
91	51	Erith & Co	91	..	9.3	9.1	11.4
220	122	Esperanza	126	–5	8.0	6.3	4.6
78	42	Eucalyptus Pulp	61	–1	7.6	12.4	2.0
129	54	Euro Ferries	127½	–½	4.2	3.3	8.1
107	52	Eva Industries	93	–3	7.3	7.8	4.3
211	121	Ever Ready	162	–2	6.5	4.0	7.4
47½	21	Erode Hldgs	36	–2	1.7	4.6	6.2
37	14½	Ewer G	37	..	2.6b	6.9	6.9
19½	7¼	Excalibur	16½	..	0.5	4.7	6.5
108	65	Exch Telegraph	107	..	8.2	7.7	9.4
77¼	55	Expand Metal	71	–2	5.6	7.8	5.2

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1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
115	52	FMC	67	..	3.9	5.7	5.3
26	7	FPA Cons	12	–1	..	..	7.7
63	25¼	Fairbairn L'sn	56½	–½	7.5	13.4	5.0
76	37¼	Fairclough Cons	72	..	3.8	5.2	9.4
117	29	Fairview Est	113	–2	5.9	7.9	6.6
125	109	Farmer S W	122	..	7.7	6.3	6.9
300	91	Farnell Elect	290	–4	10.0	3.4	12.0
47	13	Fed Lnd & Build	43	..	3.5	8.1	11.5
35	23	Feedex Ltd	32	..	2.1	6.5	6.5
150	111	Fenner J H	125	–1	16.5	9.2	6.8
110	45	Ferguson Ind	110	..	9.1	8.3	7.2
52½	19½	Fine Art Dev	52½	..	2.8	5.3	10.9
390	150	Finlay J	382	–3	22.7b	5.5	5.7
24	8	Finlay Pack	24	..	0.9	3.9	8.9
51½	10	First Castle	38	..	3.0	7.9	10.6
400	283	Fisons	370	–3	14.3	5.2	7.5
73	45	Fitch Lovell	62	..	6.1	9.7	10.4
93	43¼	Flutdrive Eng	80	..	5.2	6.5	9.5
68	20	Fodens	64	..	2.9	6.0	23.0
145½	36	Fogarty E.	122	..	3.9	3.2	4.8
29	15½	Folkes Hefo NV	27½	..	2.1	7.6	4.9
29	16	Ford M	26	–1	3.1	12.0	9.9
250	130	Ford Mtr BDR	185	..	9.3	4.5	15.5
156	48¼	Forminster	152	–4	6.0	4.0	7.2
212	121	Foseco Min	169	..	6.9	4.1	11.4
129	39	Foster Bros	129	–1	4.2	3.3	12.3
35	18	Foster J	34	..	3.8	11.1	4.9
104	69	Fothergill & H	101	..	9.4	9.3	9.2
48	29	Francis G R.	40	..	5.4	13.4	7.2
74	29	Francis Ind	71	..	5.1	7.2	4.1
326	127	Freemans Ldn	322	+4	8.0	2.6	11.8
70	40	French T	62	..	4.0	6.5	4.7
39½	14	Friedland Doggt	36	..	2.7	7.6	6.2
96	53	Frictie Ind	96	..	4.4	4.9	6.9
89	48	GEI Int	89	..	6.3	7.1	5.9
67	32½	Gallifd Brindley	55½	–½	5.1	9.2	6.0
16	7½	Garford Lilley	13	..	2.1	8.3	5.1
104	67	Garnar Scotblair	96	..	6.8	7.1	4.6
282	163	GEC	270	..	6.6	2.5	9.5
104½	96½	Do F Rate	£99½	..	1106	11.1	..
27	13¼	Gen Eng (Rad)	17	..	1.5	9.1	4.5
330	185	Gen Mtr BDR	240	–5	11.0	4.6	23.3
204	124	Gestetner 'A'	200	..	6.0	3.0	7.1
93	33¼	Gibbons Dudley	91½	+1½	3.8	4.7	4.0
105	35	Gieves Grp	85	–1	6.8	8.0	5.7
136½	80¼	Gill & Duffus	133	..	6.6	5.0	8.1
65	23	Giltspur Ltd	56	..	4.4	7.4	6.0
73	36	Glass & Metal	72	..	4.2	5.9	5.2
37	13	Glass Glover	25	..	1.9	7.6	6.9
667	400	Glaxo Hldgs	570	–2	16.2	2.8	11.4
54	19	Gleeson M J	40	..	2.9	7.2	6.1
62	34	Glossop & W J.	60	..	5.7	9.6	6.9
120	76	Glynwed	102	..	12.4	12.2	10.7
71	39	Goldbg & Sons	71	–1	6.2	8.8	12.1
67	41	Gomme Hldgs	64	–1	5.1	8.0	5.4
95	60	Gordon & Gotch	70	–5	4.0	5.5	6.7
26	11	Gordon L Grp	25	..	..	..	21.0
81	47	Grampian Hldgs	56	..	6.1	10.9	14.3
109	43¼	Granada 'A'	104	–1	2.1	3.0	12.4
116	65½	Grand Met Ltd	107½	–1	6.7	6.2	5.9
156	77	Grattan W'hse	117	..	8.4	7.2	9.1
348	183	Gt Univ Stores	294	..	11.5	4.1	13.2
346	175	Do A	266	–2	11.5	4.1	13.2
32	17¼	Greenfield Mill	31	–1	2.0	5.4	6.5
55	28	Gripperrods	44	..	3.6	8.1	4.9
368	248	GKN	261	–3	23.6	9.0	7.7
120	49	HTV Grp	109	..	15.2	13.9	7.9
109	71	Haden Carrier	97½	..	11.8	12.1	12.6
114	55	Haggas J.	114	..	1.0a	0.9	5.3
108	62¼	Hall Eng	100	–6	6.7	6.7	5.6
225	99½	Hall M	223	..	10.7	4.8	9.3
67	14	Halma Ltd	67	+2	3.5	5.7	5.8
104	66	Hanimex Corp	66	–2	4.4	5.1	4.8
161	100	Hanson Trust	129	..	10.0	7.7	6.3
51	26	Hardy Furn	29	..	..	..	..
43	23	Do A	26	..	..	..	..
61	38	Hargreaves Grp	54	–2	4.9	8.4	9.2
58	34½	Harris Sheldon	49½	+1	4.5	9.1	9.3
133	45	Harrison T C	113	..	6.2	5.5	7.2
525	276¼	Harrison Crns	515½	+12½	33.0n	6.4	10.2
104	52	Hartwells Grp	94	..	10.2	10.9	2.9
228	113	Hawker Sidd	210	–4	6.2	2.9	8.8
76	43	Hawkins & T son	69	..	6.1	8.8	4.5
78	24	Hawthorn L	67	..	..	..	..
189	57	Hays Wharf	142	..	7.7	5.4	14.7
49	17¼	Headlam Sims	49	..	2.6	5.3	4.0
21¼	8½	Helene of Ldn	21¼	–¼	1.0	4.9	4.0
41	20	Helical Bar	41	..	..	..	24.4
94	39	Hend'son Kent	94	+2	3.7	4.0	6.9
137½	84½	Henlys	125½	+½	13.0b	10.5	5.0
100	39½	Hepworth Cer	58	–3	5.0	5.7	7.0
65	29¼	Hepworth J	62	..	3.6	5.9	9.0
11½	6½	Herman Smith	10½	..	..	..	..
131¼	72	Hestair	101	..	5.5	9.4	3.9
68	17¼	Hewden-Stuart	67½	..	1.9	2.9	7.1
22½	11	Hewitt J.	21	..	1.6	7.4	4.8
99	63	Hicking P'cost	98	..	10.9	11.1	5.1
222	98¼	Hickson Welch	194	..	5.4	2.8	5.2
97	36	Higgs & Hill	61	..	5.2	6.4	4.5
81	22¼	Hill & Smith	79	–1	3.0	3.9	4.5
150	76	Hill C Bristol	110	..	11.0	10.0	34.8
300	71	Hillards	225	..	6.7	3.0	6.5
92	66	Hoffnung S	84	..	6.4	7.6	6.2
64	35	Hollas Grp	64	–3	6.4	10.0	5.9
74	34	Hollis Bros	60	..	6.7	11.2	5.4
154	70	Holt Lloyd	154	–1	10.6	6.9	11.2
177	80	Home Charm	144	..	5.5	3.3	11.2
410	185	Hoover	300	..	22.5	7.5	11.6
412	185	Do A	300	..	22.5	7.5	11.6
110	55	Hopkinsons	104	..	7.7	7.4	5.9
99	37	Horizon Mid	93½	..	8.6	9.2	9.4
157	71	Hse of Fraser	141	–1	7.2	5.1	10.4
78	28	Hoveringham	78	..	2.9	3.7	9.7
75	21½	Do RV	75	..	3.2	4.2	9.3
32	11¼	Howard & Wynd	32	..	0.5	1.6	19.3
24½	10½	Do A	24	..	0.5	2.2	23.6
52	24	Howard Mach	24	–1	3.4	14.1	16.8
31	17	Howard Tenens	29½	–1	2.6	8.8	..
71	39	Howden Grp	64	–3	5.6	8.9	17.7
16¼	9¼	Hudsons Bay	£15¼	–¼	31.2	2.0	15.4
30	16	Hunt Moscrop	29½	..	1.1	4.2	7.5
236	76	Hunting Assoc	185	–5	4.5	2.3	6.9
132	63	Huntleigh Grp	124	–5	3.6	2.9	7.5
118	47	Hutch Whamp	105	–5	..	..	..

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1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
316	150	ICL	314	–4	11.6	3.7	5.8
118	75	IDC Grp	105	..	13.6	12.6	20.3
69	46	IMI	60½	..	5.0	8.2	7.4
179	74	Ibstock Johnsn	164	..	9.3	5.7	6.1
445	329½	Imp Chem Ind	382	–6	25.0	6.5	6.4
120	75	Imp Cold Store	115	–5	8.3	7.2	4.6
85½	65	Imperial Grp	79½	–2½	8.6	10.8	6.0
25	17	Ingall Ind	25	..	2.8	11.3	3.2
40	27	Ingram H.	38	..	4.3	11.2	9.0
77	46	Initial Services	75	–½	6.6	8.8	12.6
76	41½	Int Paint	72	..	3.5	4.5	5.8
135	70	Int Timber	132	..	10.7	8.1	9.3
82	47	Inveresk Grp	77	–1	7.4	9.5	6.9
9½	6½	Itoh BDR	£9¼	..	5.6	0.5	..
67¼	24½	JB Hldgs	64	..	1.5	2.5	5.1
29	12	Jacks W.	27	..	1.0	3.7	..
75	37	Jacksons B'End	72	..	..	..	..
14½	5½	James M. Ind	11½	..	1.5	13.2	6.1
358	149	Jardine M'son	273	–6	6.3	2.4	..
197	86	Jarvis J. P	180	..	13.6	8.0	5.5
46	16	Jessups Hldgs	38	+1	2.8	6.9	5.6
69	43¼	Johnson & F B	63	–1	7.1	11.3	4.6
107	27	Johnson Grp	93	–1	5.9	6.3	6.4
492	307	Johnson Matt	437	–3	20.6	4.7	8.4
134	36	Johnson-Ricnd	94	..	2.7	2.9	8.8
90	42¼	Jones Stroud	86	..	6.3a	7.4	6.5
44	21	Jourdan T.	40	..	4.4	11.0	4.5
73	27	K Shoes	67	..	3.8	5.6	8.1
32½	19½	Kalamazoo	30½	..	3.1	10.1	7.0
135	36	Kelsey Ind	93	..	4.9	5.3	4.3
84	49½	Kenning Mtr	72	..	6.9	9.6	5.4
44	21	Kent M. P.	34	..	3.2	9.4	9.2
80	13	Kitchen Taylor	72	..	1.5	2.1	7.2
131	52¼	Kode Int	125	–5	7.1	5.3	7.0
51½	13¼	Kwik-Fit Hldgs	50½	–½	1.3	2.5	13.5
137¼	65¼	Kwik Save Disc	78	..	3.9	5.1	11.9
96	62	LCP Hldgs	88	..	8.3b	9.5	5.9
46	28¼	LRC Int	38	..	4.4	11.7	6.6
135	80	LWT Hldgs 'A'	119	–1	10.5	8.8	7.2
226	88	Ladbroke	168	–3	11.7	7.0	6.8
58	25¼	Ladies Pride	58	..	2.9	5.1	7.3
183	70	Laing J.	181	+1	4.7	2.6	7.5
178	69	Do A	178	..	4.7	2.7	7.4
89¼	40	Laird Grp Ltd	82	..	4.1	4.9	6.0
65	43	Lake & Elliot	51	..	5.3	10.4	11.5
43	31	Lambert H'wth	40	..	4.8	12.0	5.1
70	28	Lane P. Grp	57	..	5.0	8.7	4.0
131	83¼	Laporte Ind	112	+2	10.3	9.2	11.5
135	84	Latham J.	130	–2	11.4	8.8	8.2
136	45	Laurence Scott	106	..	7.6	7.2	6.2
106	53	Lawrence W.	90	+2	9.9	10.9	6.7
66	24	Lawtex	58	..	4.8	8.3	3.8
177	126	Lead Industries	145	+1	11.2	7.7	5.9
62	36	Le-Bas E.	41	..	2.8	6.7	..
25	15¼	Lee A.	21¼	..	2.3	10.4	4.7
118	22	Lee Cooper	118	+1	3.8	3.2	4.4
172	60¼	Leigh Int	144	..	6.6b	4.6	17.7
133	60¼	Leisure C'ran	130	+1	6.8	5.2	12.7
45	27	Lennons Grp	34	..	2.5	7.4	6.7
283	113	Lep Grp	240	..	5.2	2.2	7.0
82	57	Lesney Ord	78	–1	4.4	5.6	5.5
167	70	Letraset	142	–1	8.2	5.8	9.8
86½	36½	Lex Services	82	..	5.3	6.4	5.0
165¼	31¼	Liberty Ord	137	–1	4.4	3.2	7.6
88	33	Lilley F. J. C.	68	..	3.8	5.6	6.3
61	30	Lincroft Kilg	53	..	5.8	10.9	2.8
151	58	Lindustries	143	..	13.6	9.5	5.7
197½	100	Linfood Hldgs	143	..	14.2	9.9	6.0
39	19	Linread	35	..	3.4	9.6	..
48	22	Lister & Co	47	..	0.2e	0.3	..
79	64	Lloyd F H.	66	+1½	8.1	12.2	6.0
20	9	Locker T.	19½	..	1.3	6.8	7.5
19¼	9¼	Do A	18	..	1.3	7.3	6.9
118	58	Lockwoods Fds	103	..	5.6	5.4	5.6
89	44	Ldn & M'land	84½	..	7.3	8.6	5.5
43½	23	Ldn & N'thern	29½	..	3.0	10.3	7.0
95	39	Ldn Brick Co	65	..	4.9	7.6	5.1
217	94	Ldn Prov Post	176	–2	14.7	8.3	6.6
73	31	Longton Trans	62	..	5.4	8.7	3.8
87	58	Lonrho	58	–1	9.9	17.1	3.5
92	30	Lonsdale Univ	87	..	7.7	8.9	6.1
67	26	Lookers	65	..	3.9	5.9	3.4
90	44	Lovell Hldgs	85	..	5.9	6.9	4.0
178	120	Low & Bonar	165	..	16.5a	10.0	5.3
337	204	Lucas Ind	304	+1	12.8	4.2	7.6
128	47	Lyons J. Ord	88	–1	11.5b	13.0	..

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1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
107	16½	MFI Furn	107	+1	3.3	3.1	27.2
214	87	MK Electric	188	–1	9.8	5.2	8.6
134	48	ML Hldgs	122	+7	6.4	5.3	10.5
70	37	MY Dart	58	..	3.6	6.3	4.5
288	138	McCorquodale	255	..	23.5	9.2	7.2
49	15	McInerney Prop	43	..	3.0	7.0	11.8
39	10	McCleery L'Amie	15	..	0.3	2.1	..
49	28	Mackay H.	45	..	4.9	10.9	21.2
94	60¼	McKechnie Bros	86	+1	7.0	8.2	4.8
45	12½	Mackinnon (Scot)	40	..	2.5	6.3	5.2
60	31	McNeill Grp	40	..	..	..	..
72½	37	Macpherson D.	72½	+4½	4.5	6.2	7.4
217	113	Magnet & Sthns	193	+6	12.9	6.7	9.0
55½	29	Mallinson Denny	49½	–1½	4.2	8.5	6.3
78	50	Man Agcy Music	70	–1	8.6	12.2	5.3
36½	15	Manch Garages	38	..	3.6	9.9	4.7
247	177	Man Ship Canal	225	–2	23.6	10.5	12.2
100	14	Mang Bronze	81	..	2.9	3.5	3.6
53	27	Manordale Grp	50	..	6.2	12.4	4.8
19	5½	Maple Hldgs	18	..	..	..	..
313	114	Marchwiel	288	..	5.2	1.7	6.9
170	95	Marks & Spencer	157	+5	6.4	4.1	15.2
99	46	Marley Ltd	78	..	3.8	4.8	6.9
55	9¼	Marling Ind	36	..	1.7	6.6	5.0
56½	31	Marshall Cav	50½	–1	6.6	13.1	9.5
50	27	Marshall T Lox	48	..	3.8	7.9	2.9
45½	26	Do A	47½	..	3.8	7.9	2.8
164	76	Marshalls Univ	160	..	9.7	6.1	5.3
97	45	Martin-Black	52	..	6.1	11.7	..
240	95½	Martin-News	228	–3	11.0	4.6	5.4
277	91	Martonair	268	..	8.3	5.0	10.4
85	46	May & Hassell	61	..	4.6	7.6	17.5
136	60	Maynards	123	..	7.6	6.1	7.7
37	14	Mears Bros	14	–2	..	..	58.3
36	10½	Medminster	24	–1	2.9	12.0	13.7
92	36	Melody Mills	91	–1	4.4	4.8	6.4
18	9	Menmore Mfg	16	+½	1.4	8.7	13.8
165	38	Menzies J.	160	..	3.6	2.2	8.6
362	246	Metal Box	320	–4	22.7	7.1	5.1
103	65	Metal Closures	100	–2	6.4	6.4	5.3
45	12¼	Metalrax	42	..	1.6	3.7	8.1
64	26	Mettoy	62	..	3.2	5.2	4.4
93	44	Meyer M. L.	80	..	6.9	8.7	3.6
44	19½	Midland Ind	41	..	1.6	3.8	6.0
113	35½	Milbury	95	..	7.3	7.7	3.8
195	25	Mills & Allen	175	..	3.0	1.7	..
202	96	Miln Marsters	198	..	8.6	4.3	12.0
93	26	Mining Supplies	84	–1	1.7e	2.0	11.9
49	36½	Mit Cotts Grp	41	–½	5.2	12.6	5.5
65	30½	Mitchell Somers	67	–1	2.4	3.6	6.8
68	33	Mixconcrete	62	..	4.8	7.8	10.0
40	22¼	Modern Eng	37	..	4.1	11.0	6.0
132	97	Molins	126	–1	10.8	8.6	9.4
102	23¼	Monk A.	84	..	5.3	6.3	7.7
50½	35	M'santo 5% Ln	£43	..	500	11.6	..
59½	45	Do 6¼ Ln	£51	..	625	12.3	..
250	96	Do 5% Cnv	£114	..	500	4.4	..
66	35	Montfort Knit	66	+1	5.3	8.0	8.3
90¼	21	More O'Ferrall	80	–1	4.6	5.7	9.5
137	56	Morgan Cruc	117	–2	8.0	6.8	8.3
63	24	Morgan Edwds	58	..	..	..	..
55	31	Morrell Abel	46	..	3.8	7.8	4.9
65	36	Morris & Blakey	65	–4	8.2	9.6	7.7
64	33	Do A	64	–4	6.2	9.7	7.6
115	36¼	Moss Bros	115	..	4.9	4.3	18.7
73	46	Moss Eng	67	..	6.3	9.4	7.1
210	101	Mothercare	172	–4	4.5	2.6	16.9
15	8	Movitex	12	..	..	..	..
144	48	Mowlem J.	116	..	9.9	8.5	6.2
200	127¼	Muirhead	182	..	7.6	4.2	13.9
72	39	Myson Grp	64	–1	1.5	2.4	67.4
109½	43¼	NSS News	109	+1	3.1	2.8	9.9
52	27	Nathan B. & I.	50	..	5.0	10.0	5.5
67	38	Nat Carbon	38	..	..	..	..
39	12	Needlers	34	..	2.3	6.7	5.7
45	30½	Neepsend	44	–1	4.6	10.4	17.9
90	37	Negretti & Zam	75	..	5.0	6.7	6.8
103	69	Neill J	101	–1	9.7a	9.6	4.9
157	45	Newarthill	153	..	7.3	4.8	4.7
92½	33½	Newman Ind	81	..	7.6	9.4	3.2
72	33	Newman Tonks	57	..	6.1	10.8	7.3
143	98	Newmark L.	174	..	9.9a	5.7	5.5
44	51	Norcros	87	..	6.7	7.7	5.9
44	11	Norfolk C Grp	36	..	0.9b	2.5	15.0
49	26	Normand Elec	43	..	4.3	10.0	8.0
115	54	NEI	103½	..	9.1	8.8	5.3
95	45¼	Nthn Foods	92	–1	5.7b	6.2	10.9
205	44	Norton & Wright	157	–8	6.0	3.8	15.2
49	9	Norton W E	48	–1	1.0	2.0	9.4
107	57	Norwest Holst	104	..	7.0	6.7	4.7
129	60	Notts Mfg	123	–1	4.5	3.7	7.2
122	45½	Nurdin & Peacck	75	–2	2.8	3.7	8.0
26	17½	Nu-Swift Ind	25½	..	2.4	9.3	12.1

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1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
107	45	Ocean Wilsons	93	..	4.4	4.7	8.4
116	55	Office & Elect	111	..	6.2	5.6	7.3
99	50	Ofrex Grp	95	..	4.6	4.8	8.6
46	23¼	Ogilvy & M	£44¼	–¼	108	2.4	14.6
87	43	Owen Owen	86	+1	4.3	5.0	8.1
66½	7	Oxley Printing	66½	..	3.8	5.6	2.6
124½	56½	Parker Knoll 'A'	107	..	5.0	4.7	4.2
115	60	Parker Timber	99	..	8.3	8.3	4.4
44	14	Paterson R	41	–1	3.5	8.4	6.3
230	126¼	Paterson Zoch	190	–7	11.7b	6.1	3.5
225	117¼	Do A NV	185	–5	11.7b	6.3	3.5
135	62½	Pauls & Whites	113	..	6.5	5.8	6.7
197	103	Pearson Long	184	..	9.1	4.9	7.6
223	123	Pearson & Son	220	..	10.3	4.7	9.3
37½	24½	Do 4% Ln	£31	..	400	12.9	..
208	148	Pegler-Hatt	160	..	11.6	7.3	6.1
25½	6	Pentland Ind	21½	..	1.0	4.7	4.8
94	42	Pentos	86	..	6.5	7.6	5.3
94	63	Perkin El 4%	286	..	..	..	..
106½	30½	Perry H Mtrs	105	..	4.1	3.9	3.7
87	59	Petrocon Grp	70	+2	6.9	9.8	9.2
64	51	Philips Fin 5¼%	£54	..	575	10.6	..
11	7½	Philips Lamps	£9¼	–¼	42.1	4.6	..
19	7	Phillips Pats	17	..	..	..	18.7
195	64	Phoenix Timber	150	..	6.5	4.3	2.0
150	67	P'dilly Theatre	135	+5	1.6	1.2	73.0
16	10	Pickles W.	15	..	1.0	6.9	10.3
112	54	Pifco Hldgs	89	..	4.2	4.7	8.7
109	52	Do A	84	..	4.2	5.0	8.4
557	273	Pilkington Bros	547	–10	17.5	3.2	10.0
59¼	38¼	Pittard Grp	53	..	4.2	7.9	5.0
85	40½	Plaxtons	82½	..	5.4	6.5	7.0
79	31	Pleasurama	68	–1	3.1	4.5	6.6
117	62	Plessey	96	–1	8.3	8.6	8.3
15¼	7¼	Do ADR	£14	–½	..	..	..
85	42	Plysu	80	..	2.1	2.6	6.7
256	158	Portals Hldgs	213	..	11.8	5.5	8.9
127	51	Porter Chad	105	..	8.0	7.8	5.0
92	32	Portsmth News	62	..	4.8	7.7	5.8
223	119	Powell Duffryn	181	–3	15.2	8.4	4.5
74	50	Pratt F Eng	70	..	7.3	10.4	5.9
89	32	Preedy A.	84	..	4.3	5.1	10.9
32	12½	Press W	24½	..	1.3	5.2	6.6
195	107	Prestige Grp	163	..	8.5	5.2	9.4
45	27	Prestwich Pkr	32	..	4.6	14.2	8.5
185	135	Pretoria P Cem	185	..	16.5	8.9	3.7
82	45	Priest B.	82	..	8.0a	9.8	8.8
38½	15¼	Pritchard Serv	36	..	2.3	6.3	5.9
113	37	Pye Hldgs	90	..	5.4a	8.3	5.5
45	23	Pyke W J.	44	..	1.0	2.3	68.8
46	23	Pyramid Grp	40	..	3.7	9.3	7.5
22¼	14	Quaker Oats	£18¼	–¼	59.7	3.2	11.2
40	6½	Queens Moat	38	..	0.5	1.3	41.3
77	31	R F D Group	70	–½	2.4	3.4	8.5
94	57	RKT Textiles	94	..	7.1	7.6	5.7
266	117	Racal Elect	254	–1	5.9	2.3	10.0
18	12	Raine Eng	13	..	1.3b	10.2	5.7
29½	9	Rakusen Grp	17½	..	..	..	..
275	140	Rank Org Ord	247	–2	12.1	4.9	7.7
55	39½	RHM	55	–½	5.2	9.4	6.7
57	50	RHP	52	..	5.8b	11.2	6.8
166	96	Ransomes Sims	155	–3	12.9	8.3	4.8
90	30½	Ratcliffe F. S.	66	..	7.1	10.5	6.7
75	12½	Ratners	66	–2	3.7	5.6	8.3
85	35	Raybeck Ltd	95	..	5.1	6.0	8.8
47	29½	Readicut Int	38½	..	2.4	6.2	8.0
143	72	RMC	120	..	8.7	7.3	6.9
510	330	Reckitt & Colmn	482	..	16.1	3.3	9.3
90	59	Record Ridgway	75	..	7.5b	10.0	6.4
328	76	Redfearn Nat	285	–2	24.0	8.4	3.8
97	64	Rediffusion	87	..	7.3	8.3	11.3
161	95	Redland	138	–1	6.3	4.5	9.6
62	16	Redman Heenan	38½	–½	3.1	5.2	4.0
100	32	Reed A	92	..	4.3	4.7	7.9
97	32	Do A NV	91	..	4.3	4.8	7.6
64	15	Reed Exec	64	+3	4.2	6.5	8.9
236	102	Reed Int	138	–3	12.1b	8.8	6.6
37½	14¼	Reliance Grp	£25¼	–¼	66.1	2.6	13.7
43	13½	Reliance Knit	42	–1	4.8	11.4	3.7
88	44	Rennies Cons	60	–4	9.7	16.1	2.9
164	112	Renold Ltd	123	..	14.5	11.8	7.2
60	35	Rentokil Grp	58	..	2.4	4.2	13.2
47	17	Renwick Grp	42	..	1.5	3.6	3.2
67	45¼	Revertex	67	+1	5.2	7.8	8.6
66	37	Rexmore	60	..	6.4	10.7	6.5
193	35¼	Ricardo Eng	192	..	4.3	2.2	14.4
86	37	Richards & Wall	82	..	6.8	8.3	5.3
22	14½	Rich'n-Merrell	£19¼	–¼	49.6	2.6	13.9
64	35	Richardsons W.	61	–1	6.9	11.3	8.2
145	71½	Rockware Grp	133	..	8.0	6.0	4.0
97	56	Rolls-R Motors	94	..	7.2	7.6	9.1
52½	25	Ropner Hldgs	38	..	3.2	9.0	4.9
49	24½	Do A	36	..	3.2	9.0	4.9
19	4½	Rotaflex	51	+1	3.5	6.9	7.0
56	30	Rotaflex	51	+1	3.5	6.9	7.0
52	22	Rotaprint	41	+1	4.5	10.9	6.5
58	32	Rothmans Int 'B'	56	+½	3.1	5.5	3.5
161	80	Rotork Ltd	136	–3	3.6	2.6	6.8
182	65	Routledge & K	180	..	6.1	3.4	10.5
106	40	Rowlinson Con	96	+4	3.7	3.8	6.3
416	229	Rowntree Mac	394	–5	19.7	5.0	9.6
170	66	Rowton Hotels	150	..	9.5	6.3	14.9
150	84	Royal Worcs	150	+7	9.7	6.5	31.8
41	14	Royco Grp	34	+1	3.0	8.9	9.5
40	16	Ruberoid	37	..	3.4	9.2	9.0
90	46	Rugby Cement	75	+1	5.9	7.9	9.2
163	58	SGB Grp	156	..	8.3	5.3	9.1
19	7¼	SKF 'B'	£10½	–¼	47.9	4.6	5.2
167	52	Saatchi	163	..	7.3	4.5	12.5
38	26½	Sabah Timber	37	..	2.5	6.7	4.5
255	130	Sainsbury J.	202	..	9.2	4.6	8.3
27	15½	St Gobain	£26	–½	63.7	2.5	12.3
277	113¼	Sale Tilney	253	..	15.5	6.1	6.9
312	116	Samuel H.	312	..	15.2	4.9	9.4
308	113	Do A	308	+2	15.2	4.9	9.3
68	41	Sanderson Kay	62	..	6.6	10.7	7.5
41	20	Sanderson Mur	33	..	4.7b	14.2	3.5
56	27	Sanger J. E.	28	..	..	..	5.5
119	74	Sangers	78	..	8.8	11.3	6.9
87	30	Savoy Hotel 'A'	77	..	1.5	2.0	12.3
116	69	Scapa Grp	94	..	8.3	8.8	5.8
287	103	Scholes G. H.	270	..	25.1	9.3	12.7
92	41	Scotcros	74	..	4.9	6.6	14.5
64	14	S E.E.T.	64	..	2.8	4.3	4.1
32	12¼	Scot Heritable	32	..	1.4	4.3	3.8
72	25	Scottish TV 'A'	56	..	3.6	6.4	4.0
122	55	Scot Univ Inv	121	+2	11.0	9.1	7.6
37½	16¼	Sears Hldgs	37½	+2½	2.0	5.2	13.6
120	47¼	Securicor Grp	112	+2	3.8	3.4	8.4
120	43	Do NV	112	+2	3.8	3.4	8.4
122½	56	Security Serv	112	+2	5.3	4.7	6.7
122½	53¼	Do A	112	+2	5.3	4.7	6.7
41	11½	Sekers Int	36	–1½	2.3	6.4	20.1
28	10¼	Selincourt	25¼	+¼	1.9	7.3	3.1
27	18	Senior Eng	24	..	1.8	7.4	7.8
120	44	Serck	84	+1	9.9b	11.8	6.9
39½	25	Shakespeare J.	30	..	2.9	9.7	6.0
39	13	Shaw Carpets	39	..	3.8	9.8	10.3
101	55	Sheepbridge	68	..	6.5	9.5	9.2
14½	3½	Sherman S.	14½	..	..	..	..
106	62	Sidlaw Ind	93	..	9.1	9.8	10.8
182	113	Siebe Gorman	182	..	8.0	4.4	10.1
66	30	Siemssen Hunt	59	..	4.2	7.2	7.4
175	152	Signode 7% Cn	£166	..	700	4.2	..
76	28	Silentnight	74	–1	4.1	5.5	3.9
250	129	Simon Eng	225	..	11.8	5.2	6.0
103	36	Simpson S.	98	..	5.8	5.9	7.9
100	36	Do A	95	..	5.8	6.1	7.7
73	31	Sirdar	72	..	4.4	6.1	5.5
86½	54	600 Group	86½	..	8.8	10.2	7.5
116	61	Sketchley	110	–½	8.2	7.5	8.7
41	10	Smallshaw R.	39	..	2.3	5.8	4.3
35	21½	Smart J.	41	+1	3.0n	7.4	3.4
105	38	Smith D S.	104	+4	4.0	3.9	9.0
71	39½	Smith & Neph	70½	+½	3.7	5.2	8.5
188	67¼	Smith W. H. 'A'	150	..	3.1	2.1	16.9
182	120	Smiths Ind	170	+4	11.4	6.7	7.8
210	84¼	Smurfit	204	..	11.2	5.5	10.6
27	15	Sobranie	24	..	2.5	10.6	9.8
26	15	Do NV	23	..	2.5	11.0	9.4
60	42	Solicitors Law	51	–1	5.9	11.5	13.9
298	156	Sotheby P. B.	293	..	12.9	4.4	12.3
172	111	Spear & Jackson	124	+2	14.2	11.5	12.4
245	100	Spear J. W.	203	..	2.8	1.4	6.1
16½	7	Spencer Gears	15	..	0.8	5.5	6.5
39½	25½	Spillers	30½	–½	2.1a	6.7	7.4
166	70	Spirax-Sarco	166	+4	6.7	4.1	12.6
87	27	Spooner Ind	87	+1	4.5	5.1	8.7
158	66	Staffs Potts	142	..	5.5	3.9	6.9
49	7	Stallex Int	8	..	..	..	..
114½	40½	Stag Furniture	106	..	7.3	6.9	7.5
32¼	12	Stakis (Reo)	34½	..	1.2	3.9	12.6
132	42¼	Stanley A. G.	127	..	5.9	4.6	9.4
294	163	Staveley Ind	281	–1	15.2	5.4	5.8
225	102¼	Steel Bros	225	–3	9.9	4.4	7.6
254	138	Steetley Co	188	..	9.8	5.2	4.6
15	9	Steinberg	16	..	1.3	8.1	18.4
55	35	Stew'l & Ll 6%	55	..	..	..	..
95	23	Stocklake Hldgs	65	+2	3.9	6.0	3.5
182	83	StocksJ. & Son	150	..	5.9	3.9	5.6
98	60¼	Stonehill	96	..	9.1	9.5	11.1
146	93	Stone Platt	119	+2	5.5	4.6	5.8
180	98	Stothert & Pitt	180	+6	14.9	8.3	8.1
43¼	22	Streeters	22	..	2.6	11.7	..
87	54	Strong & Fisher	54	..	6.6	12.3	3.1
36	11	Sunbeam W'sey	30	..	4.2	13.8	4.0
59	22	Sutcliffe S'man	58	+2	4.0	6.8	6.8
168½	63¼	Swire Pacific 'A'	151	–9	..	..	..
21	9	Symonds Eng	21	..	2.0	9.6	12.5

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31	9	Tace	26	..	1.9e	7.3	4.5
16¼	8¼	Takeda Bdr	£15¼	..	16.8	1.1	61.6
25½	3	Talbex Grp	19¼	–½	0.8b	4.2	18.6
220	124	Tarmac Ltd	152	–1	14.9	9.8	7.2
280	168	Tate & Lyle	168	–1	20.4	12.1	4.0
139	86	Tavener R'tlge	86	..	8.8	10.2	12.4
92	43	Taylor Palls	92	..	6.6	7.4	6.0
504	244	Taylor Woodrow	362	–2	11.5	3.2	8.6
137	45	Tecalemit	133	..	8.3	6.2	7.2
42	18	Telefusion	36	..	1.9	5.2	6.0
41	17	Do A	35	..	1.8	5.3	5.8
142	84	Telephone Rent	136	..	8.8	6.5	11.7
52½	33	Tesco	46½	..	2.5	5.3	8.8
30	11	Textured Jersey	29	..	1.5	5.2	6.9
139	81	Thermal Synd	95	..	6.8	7.1	5.1
278	121¼	Thomson Org	277	..	3.0	1.1	48.5
450	196¼	Thorn Electric	354	+4	17.4	4.9	8.9
15	6½	Thurgar Bardex	13½	..	1.0	7.7	4.8
600	405	Tiger Oats	560	–10	30.9	5.5	4.4
298	184	Tilbury Cont	276	..	30.4	11.0	5.4
122	84½	Tilling T.	119½	–1	6.5	5.5	6.5
178	42	Time Products	177	–1	2.5	1.4	6.6
20	8	Titaghur Jute	11	..	..	..	..
24	10	Tomkins F. H.	22½	..	1.5	6.4	8.2
54	31	Tootal	48	..	4.1	8.6	8.2
70	16	Toye	69	..	1.9	2.8	8.7
58	33½	Tozer Kemsley	56	..	4.7	8.4	4.9
166	95	Trafalgar H Ltd	125	..	8.6	6.9	7.8
82	48	Trans Paper	67	..	7.5	11.2	9.2
73	48	Transport Dev	69½	–½	4.8	6.9	11.2
148	77	Travis & Arnold	133	+1	5.8	4.3	5.8
73	25	Tricoville	64	..	3.1	4.8	5.9
58	31½	Trident TV 'A'	50	..	4.4	8.8	6.3
95	30¼	Triefus & Co	95	..	3.4	3.5	8.4
90	50	Triplex Found	88	–1	7.0	7.9	4.4
221	114	Trust Hse Forte	221	..	13.4	6.0	9.1
431	311½	Tube Invest	382	..	32.0b	8.8	4.5
287	137	Tunnel Hldgs 'B'	284	..	16.6	6.3	7.1
12¼	7	Turner Curzon	11½	..	1.1	9.4	6.9
233	132	Turner Newall	180	..	17.4	9.7	6.0
142	53	Turner Mfg	142	..	6.1	4.3	5.4
81	27	Turriff	76	..	3.6	4.8	4.4
79	34	UEM Grp	66	..	6.5	9.9	13.2
99	34	UDS Grp	94	–1	7.7	8.2	10.1
192	138	UKO Int	142	..	13.3	9.4	7.6
103	65	Unicorn Ind	100	..	8.2	8.2	7.3
61	42	Unigate	61	..	4.8	7.9	8.6
596	412	Unilever	534	+4	20.8	3.9	9.3
28	20¼	Do NV	£26¼	..	123	4.6	8.7
126	55	Unitech	125	–1	5.7a	4.6	14.5
89½	65¼	Utd Biscuit	81	+2	4.1	5.0	9.1
72	21¼	Utd City Merc	65	..	1.2	1.8	7.8
46	20	Utd Eng	46	..	3.4	7.3	7.8
63	31¼	Utd Gas Ind	53	..	5.5a	10.4	6.5
360	198	Utd News	340	..	21.2	6.2	6.8
322	91¼	Utd Scientific	308	–2	9.1	3.0	12.9
46	19	Valor	45	+1	3.2	7.2	4.4
132	76	Vantona	120	+1	7.8	6.5	5.5
175	95	Vereeniging Ref	175	..	17.9	10.2	4.7
176	84	Vibroplant	174	..	15.0	8.6	12.7
242	144	Vickers	169	–2	14.9	8.8	6.1
48½	26	Vita-Tex	43	+1	4.9	11.3	6.3
182	71	Vosper	174	..	7.0	4.0	6.4
79	37	W Ribbons	72	–3	5.0	6.9	6.8
106	70	WGI	103	–2	8.8	8.5	6.4
252	111	Waddington J.	190	+4	17.1	9.0	10.2
28	14	Wade Potteries	26	..	1.7	6.4	7.0
117	70	Wadkin	113	..	8.9	7.9	4.3
128	83	Wagon Ind	124	..	11.2b	9.0	9.1
17½	10	Walker & Homer	12	..	1.4	11.3	3.5
130	78½	Walker C & W	124	–1	9.1	7.3	5.2
103	32	Walker J. Gold	82	..	3.5	4.3	6.5
102	32	Do NV	81	..	3.5	4.3	6.4
117	55½	Ward & Gold	83	..	6.2	7.4	5.9
77½	39¼	Ward T. W.	69½	..	6.2	9.0	7.5
23	13	Wardle B.	21½	..	1.9	8.9	4.3
108	44½	Waring & Gillow	109	..	5.0	4.6	11.2
53	29¼	Warne Wright	52	..	4.0	7.7	6.3
54	18½	Warrington T.	54	+½	4.7	8.8	20.1
52	21¼	Waterford Glass	50	..	2.0	3.9	8.0
90	36½	Watmoughs	81	..	5.5n	6.8	6.5
70	36	Watson & Philip	56	–3	3.7	6.6	7.8
119½	69	Watts Blake	109	–1	4.2	3.9	11.2
31	10½	Wearwell	31	..	..	..	7.1
57½	15	Websters Pub	57½	+1	2.0	3.5	9.4
150	71½	Weir Grp	119	..	7.9	6.6	6.5
29½	11½	Wellco Hldgs	23	–½	1.7b	7.4	6.9
51	31	Wellman Eng	47½	–½	3.6	7.6	7.2
47	22	Westbrick Pds	47	+1	2.3	4.8	7.8
37	29	Westinghse Brke	31½	–1½	3.2n	8.3	5.5
69½	30	Westland Air	35	..	4.8	13.8	9.1
9	9	Westminster Inv	9	..	..	..	..
26	15	Wharf Mill	23	..	2.2	9.3	..
54	25	Whatlings	42	..	3.9	9.3	8.1
65	26	Wh'lock Mar	55	–4	..	..	..
107	51	Whessoe	70	..	7.3	10.4	3.9
18	8	Wheway Watson	17	..	1.3	7.9	5.4
84	41	White Child	80	..	7.0	8.7	5.8
214	128	Whitecroft	186	–1	20.3	10.9	4.4
54	12	Whiteley BSW	30	..	..	..	..
140	58	Wholesale Fit	140	..	8.3	5.9	8.2
276	95	Wigfall H.	227	..	20.5	9.0	8.5
27	11	Wiggins Constr	25	..	2.4	9.6	6.0
128	55	Wight Cons	122	..	11.4	9.3	8.8
214	128	Wilkins'n Match	160	..	15.2	9.0	7.4
104	79	Do 10% Conv	£88	..	1000	11.4	..
50	29¼	Wmc J. Cardiff	45	..	4.2	9.3	5.9
63	28	Wills G. & Sons	52	–½	2.4	4.5	5.4
91½	51	Wilmot Breeden	68	..	4.7	6.9	5.0
47	17½	Wilson Bros	37½	–1	2.1	5.7	6.1
91	38	Wimpey G	76	..	1.0	1.4	7.4
47	24	Winn Ind	43½	..	4.2	9.7	3.5
56	28½	Witter T.	50	..	4.4	8.7	11.8
200	92	W'sley Hughes	190	..	10.6	5.6	8.0
58	12	Wood & Sons	56	..	1.1	2.0	9.7
47	30	Wood S. W.	43	..	6.5	15.1	..
101	63	Wood Hall Tst	94	..	8.2	8.7	8.7
127	48½	Woodhead J.	90	..	5.8	6.4	4.9
32	26	W'sh'se Rixson	28	..	3.5	12.1	27.1
71½	48	Woolworth	65	..	6.3	9.7	11.8
295	140	Yarrow & Co	270	..	7.3	2.7	9.2
75	29½	York Trailer	67	..	3.3	5.7	5.4
98	31	Youghal C'pts	36	..	..	..	..
44	11	Young H Hldgs	34	..	..	..	..
63	21	Zetters	34	–2	1.8	3.3	12.9

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
285	175	Akroyd & Sm	210	..	25.4	12.1	2.3
410	200	Assam Trdng 'B'	380	..	3.9	1.0	3.5
50	17	Boustead	50	+1	2.3	4.5	10.1
25	6	Brit Arrow	16	..	..	..	..
163	102	Challenge Corp	143	..	6.6	4.6	7.7
66	42	Charterhse Grp	64	+1	5.1	7.9	12.4
49¼	27¼	C Fin de Suez	£48¼	–1	..	..	..
348	215	Daily Mail Tst	318	–8	21.1	6.6	17.8
345	210	Do A	318	–11	21.1	6.6	17.8
289	195	Dalgety	275	–1	19.5	7.1	9.6
48	13	Dawnay Day	43	–3	1.5	3.5	16.8
23	13	Edin Ind Hldgs	19½	..	0.2a	1.1	30.7
114	79	Electra Inv	114	..	7.6	6.6	21.1
28	15	Exploration	25	..	0.8	3.4	8.1
85	27	FC Finance	73	..	3.0	4.2	14.7
19½	8	Fitzroy Inv	19½	..	..	..	..
31	14	Goode D & M Grp	21	..	0.2	0.9	..
443	293¼	Inchcape	408	–2	22.7b	5.6	9.4
120	60	Lloyds & Scot	96	+2	6.2	6.5	12.6
30	6	Ldn & Euro Grp	28	..	..	..	..
127	61	M&G Grp (Hldgs)	120	..	5.5	4.5	12.7
54	26	Manson Fin	45	..	4.9	10.9	15.9
119	61	Prov Fin Grp	92	–1	7.4	8.0	8.2
113	45½	Sime Darby	111	–1	1.8	1.6	19.9
61	37	Smith Bros	60	..	7.5	12.4	12.7
810	631	Tyndall O'seas	800	..	46.4	5.8	..
56	14	Utd Dom Tst	42	+1	..	..	30.7
58½	21¼	Wagon Fin	45	..	3.1	7.0	9.5
37½	53	Yale Catto	78	..	2.1	2.7	10.2

INSURANCE

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
131	65	Bowring	107	+2	4.5	4.2	..
38	30	Brentnall Beard	32	–2	2.0	6.3	9.8
184	112	Britannic	164	..	13.9	8.5	..
172	102½	Com Union	150	+2	11.6	7.7	..
180	107	Eagle Star	141	+2	9.3	6.6	..
194	114	Equity & Law	160	–4	10.1	6.3	..
284	161	Gen Accident	210	–6	12.4	5.9	..
284	175	Guardian Royal	222	–6	15.4	6.9	..
335	185	Hambro Life	332	–4	30.3	9.1	..
293	136¼	Heath C. E.	277	+2	7.3	2.6	10.7
201	125	Hogg Robinson	184	–1	9.0	4.9	10.3
191½	138	Howden A.	167	–1	10.6b	6.4	9.2
184	108	Legal & Gen	155	+3	8.7	5.6	..
120	90	Leslie & Godwin	118	–1	6.8	5.7	13.5
148	91¼	London & Man	138	+2	9.8	7.1	..
178	57	Ldn Utd Inv	162	..	6.4	3.9	8.1
286	160	Matthews W'son	168	+1	13.8	8.3	7.8
204	100	Minet Hldgs	199	+3	5.1	2.5	12.4
79	43	Moran C.	60	+1	5.0n	8.3	6.6
282	182	Pearl	232	+4	19.1	8.2	..
322	188	Phoenix	244	+4	15.7	6.4	..
130	100	Prov Life 'A'	130	..	12.4	9.5	..
130	100	Do A Br	130	..	12.4	9.5	..
130	100	Do B	130	..	12.4	9.5	..
130	100	Do B Br	130	..	12.4	9.5	..
180	116	Prudential	150	+2	10.1	6.7	..
152	84	Refuge	140	..	10.5	7.5	..
490	290	Royal	365	+5	24.9	6.8	..
425	224	Sedg. Forbes	412	..	14.5	3.5	13.2
111	89	Stenhouse	102	+1	6.1	6.0	7.6
682	385	Sun Alliance	514	+4	53.3b	1.0	..
117	65	Sun Life	99	+3	5.2b	5.2	..
177	112	Trade Indem'ty	173	..	12.7	7.4	..
310	195	Willis Faber	255	..	13.6	5.3	11.7

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
142	104	Aberdeen Trst	140½	–½	7.7b	5.4	27.2
228	166	Alliance Trust	228	..	10.8a	4.7	30.9
49	31½	Amer Trust	45½	–¼	2.1	4.5	33.6
105	78	Ang-Amer Secs	105	..	4.6	4.3	31.7
52	32	Anglo Int Inv	43	..	4.9	11.3	13.0
137	87	Do Ass	136	..	..	..	..
44½	31	Anglo Scot	44	+½	2.6b	5.8	28.6
132½	92½	Ashdown Inv	125½	..	6.3	5.0	29.8
74	35	ABC Regional	61	+1	0.8	1.2	62.2
98½	40	Atlantic Assets	98½	..	0.6	0.6	..
62	40	Atlas Electric	62	..	2.9	4.6	30.1
61½	39¼	Bankers Inv	57½	..	3.9	6.7	22.2
70	40	Berry Trust	70	..	1.3	1.9	78.9
61½	41¼	Border & Sthrn	61	..	11.7	19.2	37.7
41½	30	Brit Am & Gen	41½	..	2.5	6.0	24.3
77½	48	Brit Assets Tst	77½	..	3.3	4.3	33.1
12	7½	Brit Emp Sec	11	..	0.9	8.5	15.7
171	116	Brit Invest	168	+2	7.4	4.4	36.1
152½	102½	Broadstone	152½	..	7.8	5.1	28.1
98½	63	Brunner	96	..	5.8	6.0	26.7
78	42	Brycourt Inv	74	–2	3.8b	5.1	25.4
86	43	CLRP Inv	66	..	2.9	4.4	27.8
280	187	Caledonia Inv	236	–2	12.8	5.4	22.7
84½	56	Caledonian Tst	84	–2	2.6	3.1	54.9
81	52	Do B	81	..	..	..	..
124½	91	Capital & Natl	124½	..	6.8	5.5	..
120¼	84½	Do B	119½	..	..	..	..
109½	73	Cardinal 'Dfd'	109½	..	5.9	5.4	..
115½	88½	Carliol Inv	115½	..	5.8	5.0	26.7
67	46	Cedar Inv	67	..	3.9	5.9	25.4
59	40	Charter Trust	57½	..	3.3	5.8	25.9
83	54	Clydesdale Inv	83	..	2.7a	3.2	45.6
80	49	Do B	80	..	..	..	..
13	8½	Common Mkt	£12¼	..	20.5g	1.7	..
209½	152½	Cont & Ind	196½	+3	9.7	4.9	29.5
199	102	Crescent Japan	197½	–½	..	..	..
82	48	Crossfriars	76	–1	5.2	6.8	22.1
28½	14½	Cumulus	25	..	1.2	4.8	31.3
140	80	Delta Inv	135	..	..	..	..
223	132	Derby Tst 'Inc'	222	..	20.4	9.2	19.1
170	86	Do Cap	144	..	..	..	..
135	100	Drayton Com	132	+2	6.8	5.2	28.7
147	115	Drayton Cons	147	..	7.1	4.8	27.7
196	150	Do Premier	194	–1	10.2	5.2	26.9
65	40½	Dundee & Ldn	63	+½	3.6	5.8	26.6
136	65	Edin Amer Ass	130½	+½	1.7	1.3	84.7
229	164	Edinburgh Inv	229	..	10.2	4.5	32.3
77	50	Elec & Gen	77	..	2.4	3.1	41.4
92½	69½	Eng & Int	90½	..	5.8	6.4	22.7
79	54½	Eng & N York	78	–1	3.9	5.1	24.9
80½	38½	Estate Duties	80½	..	2.8	3.4	39.1
97	69	First Scot Am	97	..	4.3	4.5	32.7
168	117	Foreign & Colnl	168	..	5.7	3.4	44.4
158	95	Gt Japan Inv	158	..	2.3	1.4	76.3
161	100	Gen Funds 'Ord'	161	+1½	7.1	4.4	43.8
121½	78	Do Conv	121½	+1½	..	..	..
106	74½	Gen Inv & Tsts	106	..	6.1	5.7	23.0
93	65	Gen Scottish	89	–2	5.1	5.8	25.8
96½	64	Glenderon	96	–½	2.6	2.7	67.6
122½	85	Globe Trust	116½	–½	7.6	6.5	20.2
77	48	Grange Trust	77	..	3.3	4.3	34.1
110	75	Great Northern	104	..	6.1	5.8	26.3
88	61½	Greenfriar	87	–1	2.2	2.5	48.3
57	27	Gresham Hse	56	..	4.6	8.1	8.8
84½	57	Guardian	81	..	4.1	5.0	28.6
97	61	Hambros	97	..	5.7	5.9	25.2
166½	122	Hill P. Inv	163	..	12.0	6.5	23.2
79	42	Hume Hldgs A	78	..	6.4	8.2	19.7
53½	36½	Indus & General	53	..	2.7	5.0	28.2
77	52	Internat Inv	76	..	4.0	5.2	25.2
150	89½	Invest in Suc	150	..	4.4	2.9	47.8
279	162	Inv Tst Corp	270½	+2½	10.2	3.8	38.8
86	59¼	Inv Cap Trst	84	+½	2.9b	3.5	48.4
163	103½	Jardine Japan	163	..	1.3	0.8	..
167	103	Jersey Ext	164	–3	..	..	..
94½	66	Lake View Inv	94½	..	3.6	3.9	35.4
104	68	Law Deb Corp	104	..	6.8	6.6	21.7
117	84	Ldn & Holyrood	117	+1	5.5	4.7	32.6
187	139	Ldn & Montrose	187	+1	8.3	4.5	34.7
114	84	Ldn & Prov Tst	114	..	5.2	4.5	33.5
100	34	Ldn Merch Sec	89	–1	2.1	2.3	..
100	31	Do Cap	88	–1	..	..	..
76	44	Ldn Pru Invest	76	..	4.3	5.7	26.9
99	62½	Ldn Trust	99	+½	6.3	6.3	23.5
40¼	26	Mercantile Inv	40¼	+¼	1.9	4.6	26.5
79½	55	Merchants Trust	79½	..	3.9	5.2	28.9
85	47	Moorgate Inv	85	..	5.8	6.8	20.8
97	60	Moorside Trst	95	..	7.2	7.6	19.6
22	11½	New Throg 'Inc'	17¼	–½	2.3	13.2	11.1
123	24	Do Cap	109	..	..	..	..
97½	74½	North Atlantic	97½	–1	4.1	4.2	33.9
102½	71	Northern Amer	102	..	4.3	4.2	33.9
110	64	Northern Sec	110	..	5.2	4.8	25.1
66	48	Oil & Associated	57	+1	3.2	5.6	27.1
125	88	Pentland	124	..	6.1	5.0	30.2
76	60	Progressive Sec	66	–1	4.2	6.4	21.4
128	98	Raeburn	128	+1	5.8	4.6	30.5
177	108	River & Merc	171	..	12.3	7.2	19.3
144	85½	River Plate	141	+1	9.5	6.7	..
96	69	Romney Trust	96	..	4.0	4.2	33.1
194	104½	Rothschild	190	..	8.5	4.5	28.7
78	44	Safeguard	73½	..	5.5	7.4	19.4
92½	57½	Scot Amer	90½	+½	3.9a	4.4	..
79½	39½	Scot&Cont'l Inv	79½	..	1.8	2.4	59.4
131	49	Scot & Merc 'A'	97	..	4.6	4.7	21.3
146	102	Scot Eastern	146	+1	6.8	4.7	34.2
41	25	Scot European	41	–½	2.3	5.5	24.1
107	75	Scot Invest	106½	–½	4.2	3.9	39.9
118½	91½	Scot Mortgage	117	+1	5.0	4.3	36.1
152	111	Scot National	152	–2½	5.5	3.6	39.8
104	70	Scot Northern	104	–1	5.1	4.9	31.6
82½	57¼	Scot United	81½	–1	2.4	3.0	50.6
101	70	Scot Western	100½	–1	3.5	3.5	48.3
97	64½	Do B	97	+1½	..	..	..
198	143	Sec Alliance	198	–1	8.6a	4.3	31.4
91½	61½	Sec Gt Northern	91½	–1	3.2	3.5	44.9
87½	58	Do B	86	..	..	..	51.5
178	132	Sterling Trust	178	..	8.0	4.5	31.9
98	67½	Stockholders	98	–1½	3.6b	3.6	45.6
104	62	Throg Sec 'Cap'	102	..	..	..	..
73	42½	Throgmtn Trust	70½	..	6.6	9.4	16.1
177	125	Trans-Oceanic	171	..	7.6	4.4	30.2
78	55½	Tribune Inv	77	–1	2.0	2.6	44.0
67½	46½	Triplevest 'Inc'	67½	..	6.7	9.9	15.3
179	94	Do Cap	142	..	..	..	..
139	92	Trustees Corp	137	–½	6.4	4.6	32.0
114	87½	Tyneside Inv	114	+1	5.8	5.1	27.0
133	97	Utd Brit Secs	133	–1	6.7	5.1	30.0
98½	74½	Utd States Deb	98½	–1	5.3	5.4	26.3
190	142	Utd States Gen	188	–2	9.2	4.9	28.1
104	69¼	Viking Res	96½	–½	1.7	1.7	63.1
200	140	W'bottom Trust	197	–1	7.6	3.8	41.8
92½	63	Witan Inv	92½	–½	3.5	3.8	..
89	61	Do B	89	–1	0.1	0.1	..
171	111	Yeoman Tst	169	..	11.5	6.8	21.5
32½	17	Yorks & Lancs	30½	..	2.3b	7.4	22.1
80	50	Young Co Inv	80	..	5.5	6.9	22.9

SHIPPING

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
321	215	Brit & Comm	278	..	14.0	5.0	8.1
158	54	Fisher J.	158	..	2.3	1.5	7.8
355	207	Furness Withy	232	–7	12.4	5.3	6.5
305	112	Hunting Gibson	112	..	..	..	..
41½	24¼	Jacobs J I	33	..	2.8	8.5	13.5
57¼	25	Ldn & O'seas Fr	27½	..	..	..	..
270	205	Manch Liners	220	..	7.7	3.5	30.1
179	105	Ocean Trans	109	..	12.4	11.4	3.7
172	83	P & O 'Dfd'	83	–1	9.9	11.9	4.8

MINES

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
820	370	Anglo Am Coal	620	..	35.5	5.7	..
342	198	Anglo Am Corp	315	–8	23.2g	7.4	..
17½	11¼	Ang Am Gold	£16¼	–¼	104	6.2	..
41¼	19	Anglo Am Inv	£40¼	..	361	8.9	..
9½	6¼	Anglo Transvl	£7¼	..	72.5	10.0	..
9¼	6	Do A	£7¼	..	72.5	10.0	..
15½	8¼	Asarco	£11¼	–¼	20.5	1.8	..
397	238	Ayer Hitam	380	–10	66.0	17.4	..
60	36	Beralt Tin	52	..	6.1	11.7	..
417	248	Blyvoors	306	–8	59.7	19.4	..
46	12	Botswana RST	20	..	..	..	..
98	55	Bracken Mines	73	–2	19.5	26.7	..
127	61	BH South	110	–6	..	..	..
10¼	5¼	Buffelsfontein	£9¼	–¼	107	11.4	..
154	106	Charter Cons	142	–1	12.6	8.9	..
220½	136	Cons Gold Fields	179	–3	13.7	7.7	..
412	188	De Beers 'Dfd'	382	–2	31.8	8.3	..
331	145	Doornfontein	273	–3	31.3	11.5	..
386	132	Durban Rood	250	–2	..	..	..
35	9	East Daggs	24	–1	..	..	..
777	425	E Driefontein	719	–5	52.0	7.2	..
477	377	E Rand Prop	277	–3	..	..	..
59	29	El Oro M & Ex	56	..	1.7	3.0	..
154	64	Elsburg Gold	108	–6	6.1	5.7	..
17¼	9¼	F S Geduld	£15½	–¼	176	10.7	..
149½	54¼	Geevor Tin	130	–3	7.6	5.8	..
17¼	12	Gen Mining	£17	–¼	136	8.0	..
152	52	Grootvlei	91	–2	18.8	20.6	..
310	160	Hamersley	213	+3	..	..	..
138	77	Hampton Gold	134	..	3.8	2.8	..
409	235	Harmony	367	–5	33.1	9.0	..
14½	7¼	Hartebeest	£12½	–¼	158	12.5	..
15	10¼	Jo'burg Cons	£13¼	–¼	104	7.9	..
391	200	Kinross	375	–5	27.4	7.3	..
578	290	Kloof	547	+3	25.1	4.6	..
52	20	Leslie	43	..	6.1	14.1	..
604	175	Libanon	500	–8	62.3	12.5	..
76	42	Lydenburg Plat	64	..	..	..	..
242	123	MIM Hldgs	206	+3	5.7	2.8	..
65	38	MTD (Mangula)	39	..	4.1	10.5	..
415	230	Malayan Tin	405	–5	..	..	..
121	46	Marievale Con	64	–2	35.0	54.7	..
195	71	Messina Trans	86	–2	..	..	..
41	10	Metals Explor	28	–1½	..	..	..
230	125	Middle Wits	175	–5	15.8	9.0	..
198	135	Minorco	188	–4	6.2	3.3	..
480	247	Nthgate Explor	405	–5	13.3	3.3	..
73	28	Pahang Cons	72	–1	3.8	5.2	..
555	345	Peko Wallsend	518	–2	..	..	..
10¼	6½	Pres Brand	£9¼	–¼	78.8	8.7	..
7¼	4¼	Pres Steyn	£7¼	–¼	25.1	3.6	..
160	80	Rand Mine Prop	120	–3	8.9	7.4	..
36	19	Randfontein	£33	–1¼	232	7.5	..
248	164	Rio Tinto Zinc	222	–2	14.4	6.5	..
96	60	Rustenburg	84	+1	..	..	..
90	38	Saint Piran	49	..	3.0	6.2	..
12¼	6¼	St Helena	£9¼	–¼	82.1	8.6	..
500	370	Selection Tst	420	–4	28.3	6.7	..
231	118	Sentrust	203	–5	18.9	9.3	..
97	29	SA Land	50	–2	..	..	..
76	48	South Crofty	52	..	6.3	12.0	..
526	335	Southvaal	484	–8	13.1	2.7	..
325	150	Sthn Malayan	315	–5	18.2	5.8	..
228	57	Sungei Besi	215	–10	14.8	6.9	..
176	116	Tang Cons	154	–2	10.0	6.5	..
103	42	Tanjong Tin	88	–2	9.9	11.2	..
260	207¼	Tharsis Sulph	250	..	10.0	4.0	..
15	8¼	Transvaal Cons	£14	–¼	66.4b	4.7	..
233	93	Tronoh Mines	228	–2	19.6	8.6	..
240	117	UC Invest	230	–5	20.1	8.7	..
294	165	Union Corp	275	–3	22.6	8.2	..
14	8	Vaal Reefs	£14¼	–¼	77.0	5.4	..
288	70	Venterspost	226	–6	15.7	6.9	..
42	27	Wankie Colliery	35	..	6.5	18.5	..
313	118	Welkom	289	+3	33.0	11.4	..
23	13¼	W Driefontein	£20¼	–¼	241	11.5	..
209	78	W Rand Cons	137	–21	11.0	8.1	..
242	110	Western Areas	160	+3	9.5	5.8	..
21¼	5¼	Western Deep	£18¼	..	51.3	6.3	..
19	10½	Western Hldgs	£19¼	–¼	207	10.6	..
164	84	Western Mining	145	–4	1.8	1.2	..
777	380	Winkelhaak	723	–17	60.9	8.4	..
23½	10	Zambia Copper	15	..	..	..	..

OIL

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
78	43	Ampol Pet	75	..	..	..	..
120	47	Attock	92	–2	..	..	..
186	128	Brit Borneo	158	..	10.2	6.5	15.9
960	720	BP	874	–14	33.5	3.8	9.4
83	41	Burmah Oil	64	–2	..	..	..
69½	44½	Century Oils	62	..	4.0	6.4	5.3
34½	18½	Charterhall	23	..	..	..	59.0
26¼	12¼	C F Petroles	£24	–1	169	7.0	6.7
44	24	KCA Int	27	..	..	..	10.0
185	134	Lasmo	144	..	..	..	..
415	265	Do Ops	325	–8	..	..	..
109¼	84½	Do 14% Ln	£97½	..	1400	14.4	..
322	77	Oil Exploration	224	..	3.2	1.4	31.8
22½	8	Premier Cons	16½	..	..	..	63.5
26¼	14½	Ranger Oil	£23¼	+¼	..	..	..
50¼	35½	Royal Dutch	£48¼	..	147	3.1	8.5
632	458	Shell Trans	570	–1	23.8	4.2	6.2
202	104	Tricentrol	180	–2	2.0	1.1	19.4
279½	118¼	Ultramar	266	+8	..	..	9.0
161	84	Do 7% Cnv	141	..	10.6	7.5	..

PROPERTY

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
60¼	29¼	Allied Ldn	56	..	2.8	5.0	12.6
230	127	Allnatt Ldn	202	..	5.9	2.9	27.3
242	114	Apex Props	210	..	5.3	2.5	36.2
22½	11	Aquis Secs	20½	..	1.0	5.0	22.6
96	51¼	Beaumont Prop	84	..	5.8	6.9	20.5
69	23½	Bellway Hldgs	65	..	4.4	6.7	..
127	59	Berkeley Hmbro	115	–1	4.9	4.2	26.4
186	130	Billon Percy	170	..	9.4	5.5	19.0
183	116	Do Accum	165	..	..	..	..
234	118	Bradford Prop	232	..	10.3	4.4	8.0
47½	22	British Land	32	..	..	..	..
116	56¼	Brixton Estate	109	..	7.8	2.9	25.8
54	10	Cap & Counties	51	–½	2.6	5.1	24.9
320	141	Chesterfield	305	..	6.2	2.0	..
14½	6½	Chown Secs	12½	..	..	..	..
298	145	Churchbury Est	298	..	7.0	2.4	36.4
64	37½	City Offices	53	..	2.6	4.9	20.4
174	114	Corn Exchange	160	..	3.2	1.9	22.2
27½	17	County & New T	23½	..	1.0	4.2	..
91	35	County & Dist	84	..	1.2	1.4	30.0
95	32½	Daejan Hldgs	95	..	4.5	4.7	26.0
51½	27	Eng Prop	42	–2	1.5	3.5	15.4
23	11	Estates & Gen	20½	–½	1.1b	5.5	17.7
103	32	Evans of Leeds	98	..	2.0	2.2	17.8
330	200	Gt Portland	286	..	7.3	2.5	35.6
76	32	Guildhall	74	..	3.5a	5.1	27.2
595	310	Hammerson 'A'	560	–5	8.1	1.5	60.1
260	152	Haslemere Ests	252	–4	4.6	2.0	37.2
251	142	Land Secs	234	–1	8.1	3.8	35.5
54	35½	Law Land	42	..	1.5	3.6	..
94	46½	Ldn & Prov Sh	91	..	1.2b	1.3	49.4
74	40	Ldn Shop	64	..	4.6	7.1	47.1
132	69	Lynton Hldgs	129	–1	3.6	2.8	29.3
134	46	MEPC	125	–1	2.6	2.1	39.1
220	62	McKay Secs	220	..	2.3	1.0	41.1
30	8½	Marler Estates	27	..	..	..	..
43¼	15	Midhurst Whites	40	–1	..	..	..
123	46	Mucklow A & J	112	..	3.7a	3.7	29.1
230	109	Municipal	230	..	7.7	3.4	13.4
83	28	Peachey Prop	79	..	3.0b	3.8	..
315	180	Prop & Rever	295	..	7.8	2.7	35.8
315	178	Do A	285	..	7.8	2.7	34.6
347	216	Prop Hldgs	298	..	9.3	3.1	36.5
156	44	Prop Sec	148	–2	3.1	2.1	..
6¼	2	Raglan Prop	5½	..	..	..	..
87	31	Regional	74	..	1.5b	2.1	..
71	30	Do A	61½	..	1.5b	2.5	..
121	29	Rush & Tompkins	115	..	4.4	3.9	13.4
115	54	Scot Met Props	107	–1	2.9b	2.7	43.6
129	77	Slough Ests	119	–1	3.4	2.9	29.3
258	158	Stock Conv	240	–1	3.1n	1.3	33.2
228	90	Sunley B	222	..	6.0	2.7	..
16	5	Town & City	12½	..	0.0	0.0	..
116	41	Trafford Park	109	..	5.7	5.3	21.5
24	10½	UK Props	20	..	0.5	2.5	12.2
20	7¼	Webb J.	16	..	0.7	4.6	15.2
19	10½	W'minster & City	15½	..	..	..	..

RUBBER

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
100¼	34	Anglo-Indonesia	95½	..	4.2	4.4	..
63	19	Bradwall FMS	63	–1	2.6	4.1	..
300	82	Castlefield	255	..	5.0	2.0	..
48½	12½	Chersonese	46½	..	2.1	4.5	..
47	18¼	Cons Plant	45½	–½	3.0	6.6	..
65	13	Doranakande	61	..	2.2a	3.6	..
12½	5½	Grand Central	10	–½	0.8	8.3	..
378	155	Guthrie Corp	358	–1	22.7	6.3	..
119	48	Harrisons Malay	114	+1	5.3a	4.6	..
133	36½	Highlds & Low	123	–5	5.6	4.6	..
195	67	Hongkong	195	..	11.0	5.6	..
245	125	Killinghall	245	..	17.5	7.1	..
59½	22	Kulim Malaysia	57½	–2	2.1	1.6	..
164	44	Ldn Sumatra	160	–2	6.1	3.8	..
72½	22½	Majedie	68	..	1.0	1.5	..
46	10½	Malaysiam	44½	–2	1.7	3.9	..
54	12½	Muar River	49½	–½	0.7	1.3	..
81	34	Plant Hldgs	80½	+½	3.3	4.1	..
82	18¼	Sungei Krian	72	+2	2.3	3.2	..

TEA

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
390	147	Assam Frontier	365	..	24.5	9.1	..
123	52	Assam Inv	120	..	10.6	8.8	..
300	95	Camellia Inv	300	..	3.0	1.0	..
156	22	Deundi	150	..	4.9	3.1	..
245	120	McLeod Russel	225	..	20.5a	9.1	..
410	124	Moran	398	..	22.7	6.2	..
120	15	Surmah Valley	110	..	10.0	9.1	..
246	102	Warren Plant	225	–1	22.2	9.9	..

MISCELLANEOUS

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
14	7	Alguma Cen Rly	£12	–¼	29.0	2.2	13.7
78	40	Calcutta Elec	72	–2	13.0	18.1	..
52½	42	E Surr Wtr 4.9%	£46	..	490	10.7	..
38¼	31½	Essex Wtr 3.5%	36½	..	530	14.5	..
69½	47	Gt Nthn Tele	£63	–2½	193	3.1	14.1
450	310	Imp Cont Gas	392	–7	20.1	5.1	9.2
38	32	Mid Kent Wtr	£33½	..	500	14.9	..
92	46	Milford Docks	75	..	4.1	5.2	..
278	140	Nigerian Elec	242	–2	20.0	8.1	..
38½	31½	Sunderlnd Wtr	£36½	..	538	14.8	..

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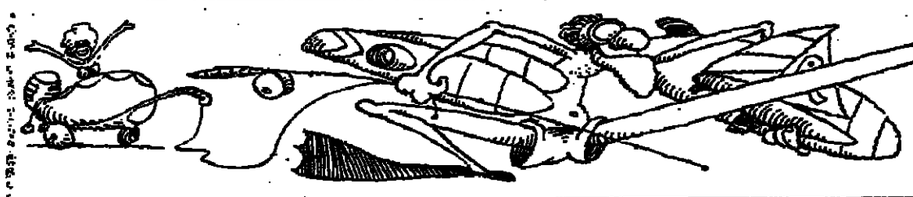
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	Index No. Latest	Div. Yield %	Earnings Yield %	Index No. Previous
The Times Industrial Share Index	207.81	6.53	12.17	206.71
Largest Coys.	212.61	6.18	11.46	211.48
Smaller Coys.	192.21	7.67	14.41	191.33
Capital Goods	237.46	7.21	15.43	236.36
Consumer Goods	219.15	6.58	11.29	218.07
Store Shares	178.29	6.37	8.41	176.25
Largest financial shares	220.94	5.91	—	219.32
Largest financial and industrial shares	214.29	6.13	—	212.82
Commodity shares	272.89	5.39	11.05	272.82
Gold Mining shares	418.78	9.23	16.19	321.10
Industrial debenture stocks	53.73	6.57	—	53.76
Industrial preference stocks	54.94	12.66	—	54.94
3½% War Loan	30½	11.59*	—	30½

A record of The Times Industrial Share Indices is given below —

	High	Low
All-time	222.98 (14.09.77)	60.18 (12.12.74)
1978	208.95 (12.05.78)	184.85 (02.03.78)
1977	222.98 (14.09.77)	151.28 (12.01.77)
1976	171.95 (05.05.76)	115.83 (27.10.76)
1975	154.92 (15.11.75)	61.42 (06.01.75)
1974	136.18 (22.02.74)	60.19 (12.12.74)
1973	169.33 (12.01.73)	120.90 (14.12.73)

* Flat interest yield.



Water Sports



No need to splash out when you get in the swim

I had planned to cut rather a dashing figure on water skis. Swerving gracefully through the wake left behind by the powerful little motor boat which was towing me off the golden beaches of Barbados last winter, I planned to let go of the towbar with one hand to wave nonchantly to my admiring friends on the shore.

Why, I might even lift one leg out of the water, and—dream of dreams—"go mono". After all, it looks easy enough.

Unfortunately, it wasn't quite like that. For a long time I couldn't lift me out of the water, let alone one leg—and one does not look one's best floundering in the sea with one's feet attached firmly to two unwieldy pieces of glass-fibre.

And, later on, letting go of the towbar tended to be an involuntary procedure, which happened to both hands at once. My only consolation was that I did bring happiness to others, if the expressions on the faces of the Barbadian boatmen were anything to go by. And I did begin to appreciate the achievements of Britain's water skiers, who collect world championships with almost monotonous regularity. For most of the year, they have to ski in *cold* water.

But David Nations understands—and even has words of comfort for me and those like me. Mr Nations is Britain's national water skiing coach and he told me: "You didn't succeed right away because you didn't have a good instructor. That is essential, especially at the beginning."

He added: "People aged from seven to 70 can learn to water ski, and there is no such thing as a failure." To prove his point he has just taught seven novices aged between 17 and 57 to water ski in the space of a day—and they were all blind.

At present Britain has 100,000 water skiers—a hardy race who, dressed in wet suits, gather at lakes and reservoirs every weekend. The climate keeps the numbers down; the United States, for example, boasts 18 million water skiers. But when it comes to world-wide competition, Britons still manage to sweep the boards. Ten years ago Jeannette Stewart-Wood was the first Briton to win the women's overall world water skiing championship in Canada and last year her Ruislip Water Ski Club-mate, Mike Hazelwood won the overall world title in Milan.

Britons currently hold the world titles in white water canoeing and double sculling, too, and we regularly collect the top sailing titles.

As for the Olympics, in the last three Games we have won more medals in water sports than in all the other events put together.

Why? David Nations thinks he knows the answer to that. Wearing his other hat, as head of the Water Recreation Division of the Central Council for Physical Recreation, he says: "We are islanders, surrounded by water, and perhaps we all have a little bit of Nelson in us. We seem to be magnetically attracted to water. It has already been shown that if we can only encourage that magnetism, and generate interest in water sports, then our youngsters respond magnificently. Water recreation in this country is booming."

When you consider the huge variety of activities which can be classified as water sports, that statement cannot be contradicted. Altogether it is estimated that there are eight million people in Britain indulging in recreational activities on water.

The membership of the Water Recreation Division of the CCPR shows just how wide the scope is: it is made up of the Royal Yachting Association, the National Anglers' Council, the Amateur Rowing Association, the British Canoe Union, the Amateur Swimming Association, the British Water Ski Association, the Hovercraft Club of Great Britain, the British Sub-Aqua Club, the Wild Fowlers' Association of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the National Life-Saving Society and the Model Yacht and Model Boating Association.

Cooperation between these diverse organizations is already good, and getting better. "The idea is that we can all live together, and share water", Mr Nations says.

Efforts in this direction are helped by the Water Act of 1973, which puts a lot of responsibility on the regional water authorities. As a result engineering work and other developments now take into account the requirements of sports enthusiasts, so that an engineers' slipway being built out into a reservoir, for example, might be constructed so that it doubles up as a slipway for weekend dinghy sailors.

There are conflicts, of course. Anglers and sub-aqua divers are unlikely to be amused by the antics of water skiers in the near neighbourhood, but even in this direction huge steps are being taken. A new ski tow boat has just been developed by the British firm, Fletcher Marine, which they claim is pollution-free: the engine runs on propane so that it is quiet and leaves no fumes, and the hull is designed to leave almost no wash.

Another problem is cost. This has never bothered swimmers or anglers, but many water sports—and particularly the more recent ones—have been tagged as rich men's pastimes. The advent of do-it-yourself dinghies, which cost very little and can be built from kits in a suburban garage and transported on the roof of a Mini, ended that myth. Now club equipment is widely available, especially for beginners and those wanting to try out a new sport, while engineering and scientific developments cut steadily into prices.

Water skiing on a wholly independent basis has, for example, become a viable family activity. A small collapsible boat, a 40 hp outboard, and the skis, ropes etc, would cost a total of about £1,200 new and far less if they could be obtained secondhand. Everything would fit into, or on to, a small car.

So a family would be free to choose their own weekend destination—with three people making up the essential team of boatman, observer, and water skier. A second car might well cost twice as much, and perhaps provide only half the fun and the freedom.

It is less easy to do your own thing under the water as it is on it. Sub-aqua diving is one of the country's leading growth sports at the moment, but to do it safely and enjoyably you need proper training and equipment.

This can be provided by the British Sub-Aqua Club, through one of its 1,000 branches, and the club's director-general, Mr Reg Valentine, points out that training with a local branch will be a lot cheaper than taking a crash two-week course at one of the recognized training schools to reach third-class standard—the basic level of competence required for, say, a diving holiday.

"Training with one of our branches involves one or two evenings a week at the local swimming pool," Mr Valentine says. "Diving is a sophisticated sport, and the equipment is expensive.

"But for a subscription of £9 or £10 you receive a very comprehensive diving manual, insurance, and you can train with equipment owned by the club. In that way, you can decide whether the sport is for you before you get involved in any great expense. Newcomers to the sport are luckier here in Britain than elsewhere—in Italy you would have to buy all the equipment first."

Sub-aqua diving can be very demanding both physically and psychologically. But the rewards can be immense.

Newcomers dream of underwater safaris, and of diving into the sort of colourful underwater aquaria offered by Caribbean climes. The nearest spot where one can in fact



find that sort of underwater scenery is in the Red Sea—and demand from divers is strong enough for Tjaereborg, the Danish direct-sell travel firm who started operating from Britain for the first time this summer, to have chosen Sharm El-Sheikh as the destination for its first special interest winter holiday: a Red Sea "diving safari" for divers with the basic qualifications and costing from £243 for a week inclusive.

British waters are colder, but often just as exciting. And experienced divers (the standards go up from third class—"not a licence to dive; it means that you can dive under supervision and with other divers", says Mr Valentine—to first class and then instructor) often find that they are caught up in the hunt for something which Britain has in abundance: underwater treasure trove.

There are still plenty of wrecks to be found off the coasts, a fact which was demonstrated only 10 years ago when a previously unknown Spanish galleon was located. And even well-known wrecks can be exciting—not least the wreck of the warship Mary Rose which still reposes on the bottom of the Solent after sinking in full view of King Henry VIII on her maiden voyage into action. The king is reported to have said something which cannot be repeated in print.

Bronze Age finds have been made off Dover. And even inland waters may contain wrecks—especially in the Lake district, and Loch Rannoch.

"The cold water must be discouraging for would-be divers", Mr Valentine admits. "But wetsuits are pretty efficient and it is surprising how good diving can be in Britain. The underwater visibility can be 30ft to 60ft in the West Country, especially off Lundy."

Other favoured waters are those off the south coast of Britain, South Wales, the Hebrides, and the Isle of Man. There is little activity in the north Sea, where the sea is too murky.

Sub-aqua enthusiasts tend to look exceptionally healthy, and to drive cars with a sticker in the back window bearing the legend: "Divers do it deeper."

But Mr Valentine is anxious to put the sport into perspective. "It is not just a healthy activity", he stresses. "It is an aid to archaeological and marine biology projects. We have also done some pollution studies." Brains, it seems, are just as important as brawn for a sub-aqua or scuba (it stands for "self-contained underwater breathing apparatus") diver.

Neither sub-aqua diving nor water skiing are ever likely to gather as many adherents as Britain's two top water sports, swimming and angling. It is the swimmers and the fishermen who boost the number of water sports enthusiasts up to that massive eight million. The provision of swimming pools is one thing in which many local authorities have not been laggardly in recent years, and schools encourage early proficiency.

The ability to swim is, of course, a basic requirement for many water sports—if only for safety reasons. For water skiing and sub-aqua diving it is essential, just as it is for surfing.

No—not surfing lying on your tummy on a small wooden board like you did in Cornwall in your school holidays years ago. Real surfing, like they do in *Hawaii Five-o*. We don't quite have the seas of California or New South Wales, but Borth in Cardigan Bay, Rhossili in the Gower Peninsula, and the Cornish resorts of Bude and Newquay, all cater for beginners. St Ouen's Bay, in the Channel Island of Jersey, has fine surfing too, but can become dangerous (there are warning flags) and the seas are frightening in a strong westerly. Newgale, in Pembrokeshire, has strong undertows and is for experts only.

If surfing looks easy and is not, then angling is the opposite. There is no mystery about sea angling—and no red tape either. Every seaside resort has its tackle shops, and its wise boatmen who are to the novice angler what a caddie is to the novice golfer turned loose at Gleneagles. Sea angling is cheap and fun, and you will almost certainly catch something for your supper. The one problem is that if you are not a good sailor then, after half a day in a small boat, you may not feel like any supper.

It is when one turns to coarse fishing on inland waters, or hunting the elusive (and expensive) salmon or trout, that one runs into the problems of licences, and laws, and etiquette. District water authorities can advise on the first two, if you cannot settle everything locally, but you still need to be able to cast a fly in the approved manner if you are ever to tell any fisherman's tales.

And here, professional advice really can make all the difference. I know that I will never make a fisherman, for to me angling ranks second only to playing cards as the most pointless and time-wasting activity that I have ever come across. But I did spend two of the happiest days of my life visiting an angling "school" in Norway.

Essentially it was a holiday, but it was marred by the fact that the fish weren't biting. One evening the only thing that any of us could produce, apart from mosquito bites, were three tiny trout which the instructor returned with after disappearing behind a bush for 20 mysterious minutes. Eventually we discovered that he had collected them from the deep freeze rather than having to admit defeat.

If angling and swimming are the two most popular water sports, then sailing must come third. There are more than 1,500 sailing clubs in Britain, and as they tend to have exclusive use of inland waterways and to offer vital mooring and maintenance facilities in a boat will find that a club is practically a prerequisite of the sport. Newcomers without a boat will find that a club offers the opportunity of crewing on other people's boats.

A boat of one's own is the dream of many Britons—and not just yachtsmen. The glass fibre monstrosities which cram our canals and rivers may look like floating prefabs—but they are still a little bit of escapism, a floating home which offers its owner or hirer a few days or hours in another world. And as such, even the ugliest of the modern pleasure boat designer's creations is worthy of as much respect as one of the traditional canal narrow-boats which today fetch five-figure sums.

Perhaps one must settle for a canoe, with the Thames, Severn and Wye, as well as the canals (you need a British Waterways Board licence for the latter) offering suitable canoeing water. But canoeing is for the young and the energetic because you need plenty of stamina. And if I write that with feeling it is because of a traumatic day in a canoe in Sweden when I discovered that I lacked all three of the above qualities.

Hovercrafting is officially a water sport, but it strikes me as both selfish and as being too easily fitted into the category of new and somewhat pointless water sports whose sole purpose seems to be to reach new heights of eccentricity.

You can, if you wish, parachute into water, zoom about over the water with kites, go surf-sailing on the water ("a new sport," says Mr Nations dismissively, rather like skateboarding on water"), and even go parasailing. "Considering that our year usually seems to consist of ten months of winter and two months of bad weather we don't do too badly when it comes to the range of water sports on offer," Mr Nations says.

Para-sailing? Well, if there is a lunatic fringe to water sports then that must be the lunatic fringe of them all. You can do it in Britain, but Mr Nations says rather coolly, that "it is not practised internationally".

I discovered why in Barbados, the scene of my water-skiing debacle. Water skiers, equipped with sail-like kites, were being pulled at speed through the water by motor boats until they were travelling fast enough for the kites to lift them into the air, when they flew for a short distance, depending on the wind, before splashing heavily back into the water.

But the sport did not seem to be catching on, and the local hotelier provided me with what may well have been the reason. "Not all of the sports," he said, "come down to the water."

Information about sports, and about co facilities, may be ob from the following:

Amateur Rowing Asso (coaching scheme), 6 Mall, Hammersmith, L W6.

Amateur Swimming Asso (coaching award), Harol House, Derby Square, borough, Leics.

British Canoe Union ing), Flexel House, 45/4 Street, Addlestone, Wey Surrey.

British Sub-Aqua Club ing scheme), 70 Bro Road, London, SW3.

British Surfing Associati Bournemouth Road, tone, Dorset.

British Water-Ski Fed (coaching dept), 70 Bro Road, London, SW3.

Hover Club of Great B Bowness, 26 Buckthorne London, SE4.

Model Power Associati Lea Walk, Harpenden, H

Model Yachting Associa Rowner Close, Rowne port, Hants.

National Anglers Co Cowgate, Peterborough 1LR.

Royal Life Saving Soci borough House, 14 Dev Street, London, W.1.

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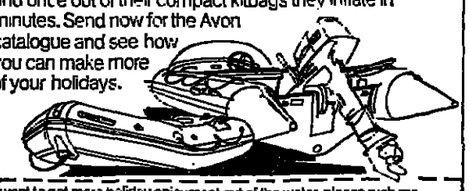
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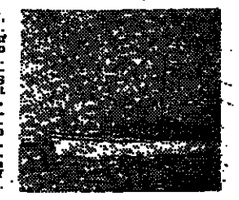
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Notice is hereby given that PETITIONS for the WINDING UP of the above-named Companies by the High Court of Justice were on the 30th ... June 1978 presented to the said Court by THE COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE, Somerset House, Strand, London, WC2R 1LB, and that the said Petitions are directed to be heard before the Court sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, on the ... day of July 1978, and any creditor or contributory of any of the said Companies desirous to support or oppose the making of an order on any of the said Petitions may appear at the time of hearing in person or by his Counsel, for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished to any creditor or contributory of any of the said Companies requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charge for the same.
ERIC MOSES, Solicitor of Inland Revenue, Somerset House, Strand, London WC2R 1LB.
NOTE: Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of any of the said Petitions must serve on or send by post to the above-named notice in writing of his intention so to do. The notice must state the name and address of the person, or, if a firm, the name and address of the firm, and must be signed by the person or firm, or his or their Solicitor (if any) and must be served, or, if posted, must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above-named not later than four o'clock in the afternoon of the 28th day of July 1978.

No. 001879 of 1978
In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Companies Court. In the Matter of MEVROSE Limited and in the Matter of the Companies Act 1948.
Notice is hereby given that a PETITION for the WINDING UP of the above-named Company by the High Court of Justice was on the ... day of June 1978 presented to the said Court by Twentieth Century ... Corporation Limited whose registered office is situate at Century House, 15-19, Dyke Road, Brighton, Sussex, BN1 3FX. And that the said petition is directed to be heard before the Court sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, WC2A 2LL on the 31st day of July 1978 and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an order on the said petition may appear at the time of hearing in person or by his Counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring such copy on payment of the regulated charge for the same.
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In the Matter of THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1948 to 1967 and in the Matter of ALL COUNTRIES SPORTS Limited (In Creditors Voluntary Liquidation).
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above-named Company will be held at One ... Street, London, EC2V 7DA, on Tuesday, 1st August, 1978, at ... p.m. to be followed, at 3.30 p.m. by a GENERAL MEETING of the CREDITORS for the purpose of having an account of the Liquidator's acts and dealings and of the conduct of the winding-up to date. A member entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting may appoint a proxy to attend and vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. Proxies for both meetings must be lodged at the address below not later than ... p.m. on Monday, 31st July.
Dated this 10th day of July.
P. F. M. SHEWELL, Liquidator.
... House, Gutter Lane, Cheapside, London, EC2V 8AH.

In the Matter of THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1948 to 1976 and in the Matter of J. C. FIRTH Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation).
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of W. H. Cork, Gully & Co., Chartered Accountants of Guildhall House, 81/87 Gresham Street, London, EC2V 7DS on Wednesday, the ... day of July, 1978, at 11.45 a.m., to be followed at 12 noon by a GENERAL MEETING of the CREDITORS for the purpose of receiving an account of the Liquidators' Acts and Dealings and of the conduct of the Winding-Up to date.
Dated this 3rd day of July, 1978.
... A. LUNGLEY, K. R. CORK, Joint Liquidators.

... I. & P. (REGENT STREET) LIMITED
Notice is Hereby Given that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Company will be held at 128 Queen Victoria Street, in the City of London, on Monday the 31st day of July 1978 at 11.00 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 293, 294 and 295 of the Companies Act, 1948.
Dated this 10th day of July 1978.
Attested by:
D. J. HANNAGAN
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Chartered Accountant

In the Matter of THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1948 to 1976 and in the Matter of
1. ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPERTY CO. Limited
2. CITYVIEW PROPERTIES Limited
3. COCKSPUR DEVELOPMENTS Limited
4. DAMARVILLE PROPERTIES Limited
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6. STARDALE SECURITIES Limited
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	Time of Shareholders' Meeting* a.m.	Time of Creditors' Meeting* a.m.
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2. Cityview Properties Limited	11.03	11.30
3. Cockspur Developments Limited	11.06	11.35
4. Damarville Properties Limited	11.09	11.38
5. Monarch Developments Limited	11.12	11.40
6. Stardale Securities Limited	11.15	11.45

Dated this 6th day of July, 1978.
G. A. WEISS, Liquidator.
* or so soon thereafter as the previous Shareholders' or Creditors' Meeting (as the case may be) shall have been concluded or adjourned.

In the Matter of THE COMPANIES ACT 1948 to 1976 and in the Matter of CENTURY KAPPA Limited (Formerly: Kinnear Moodie & Co. Limited) (In Voluntary Liquidation).
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of W. H. Cork, Gully & Co., Chartered Accountants, of Guildhall House, 81/87, Gresham Street, London, EC2V 7DS, on Wednesday the 2nd day of August, 1978, at 11.45 a.m., to be followed at 12 noon by a GENERAL MEETING of the CREDITORS for the purpose of receiving an account of the Liquidator's Acts and Dealings and of the conduct of the Winding-Up to date.
Dated this 5th day of July, 1978.
M. A. JORDAN, Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1948 to 1976 UNIVERSAL WINES Limited.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to section 293 of the Companies Act 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Company will be held at Winchester House, 100 Old Broad Street, London, E.C.2, on Thursday, the 27th day of July 1978, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purposes mentioned in sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.
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By Order of the Board.
M. A. MOORE, Director.

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D. J. HANNAGAN
Secretary
BARRIE D. HARDING
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Dated this 10th day of July 1978.
D. J. HANNAGAN, Secretary.
Attested by:
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Dated this 10th day of July 1978.
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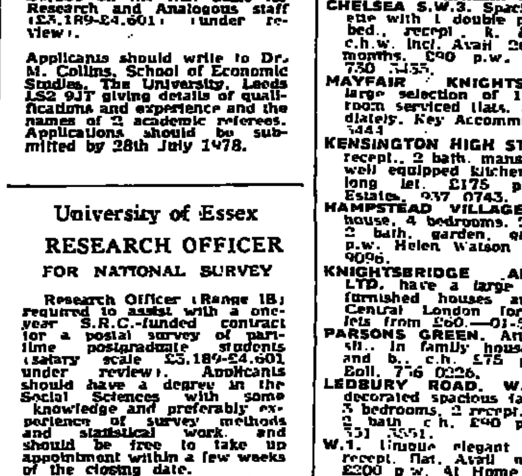
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uring a visit to Denmark at the inning of the year I was surprised ear frequent tributes from Danes ie courtesy of British motorists. It never struck me that our drivers particularly polite so I asked my ish friends to give a couple of mples.

e first concerned the driver who trying to turn from a minor road. a main one but found his way d by a continuous stream of c. In Britain, I was assured, the r would soon be resolved by one on the main road slowing to let the vehicle in. In Denmark a thing would rarely happen. e other case was that of a motorist ng himself in the wrong lane and ing to extricate himself. In in, the other traffic would probtake pity and allow the driver to across. In Denmark, there would sympathy and no yielding.

soon as I returned from Copen. I made a point of testing these tions. Obviously it is impossible eneralize about human behaviour came to the conclusion that the s were broadly right. The extent ich drivers, with a friendly flash headlights, are willing to give when strictly they are not obliged so is quite striking.

lich opens up a wider issue of relationship between driving viour and national character. Is perhaps, a streak of tolerance decency in the British make-up h shows up behind the wheel of ? Is there, as the Danes cond, an inherent trait of aggression heir character which expresses in grand prix starts from the c lights and last-minute braking? tons are not, perhaps, noted for recklessness and though plenty ivers habitually break it, the 70 speed limit has been accepted readily here. Compare Germany, remains almost the only country rope where motorway traffic may ly drive as fast as it likes. British rs are often guilty of cussedness, as hogging a narrow road at 25 but this may be considered the sin.

any rate, Britain has, per head opulation, one of the lowest road ity rates in the world and since universally accepted that human is a principal element in up to er cent of accidents it may follow British drivers make fewer, or at less serious, errors than their gn counterparts.

ich of this is guesswork and by nature of the subject hardly susble to scientific proof. But an nization called the International ers' Behaviour Research Association, based in Paris, has been trying to look across national frontiers to discern road safety lessons that might be applied for the general good.

The association has canvassed the attitudes and opinions of more than 14,000 drivers in nine countries, including Britain, France, the Soviet Union, Japan and South Africa. One of the objects was to explain the very wide difference in road casualty rates, even in countries close to one another and at a similar stage of economic growth.

I doubt whether the findings published by the association so far do much to illuminate the issue. Indeed, rather the opposite for what does emerge is agreement rather than divergence. The Russian lines up with the Swede or the Spaniard or the motorist from Japan in, for instance, emphasizing the importance of alcohol in road accidents or in condemning the nonobservance of speed limits.

As to what should be done, the priority, too, was widely agreed to be better driver training and testing. Which brings us back to the human element, though whether better training can smooth out differences in national character and bring about a more uniform—and lower—casualty rate is something on which the International Drivers' Behaviour Research Association is not prepared to speculate.

Road test: Peugeot 604 TI

The TI is the latest, and most expensive, version of Peugeot's big saloon which received wide praise on its British debut nearly three years ago. The "TI" stands for fuel injection and the other main changes are electronic ignition and, for the first time on a Peugeot car, a five-speed manual gearbox. The question is whether such improvements justify a premium of £972, that being the difference between the price of the Ti (£7,582) and the carburettor model.

The engine remains the all-aluminium 2.7-litre V6 which Peugeot developed jointly with Renault and Volvo. The switch to fuel injection has raised power output from 136bhp to 144bhp, a modest increase and one which has no dramatic effect on performance. The carburettor car accelerates from rest to 60 mph in nine seconds and the Ti is only fractionally faster. On top speed, using Peugeot's own figures, the Ti reaches 116 mph, the carburettor model 114.

So on cold arithmetic there is little case for preferring the Ti, though there may be, as Peugeot claims, a slight gain in flexibility and refinement. I am certainly not complaining about the Ti's performance, which is more than adequate, nor about its smooth, quiet running: but the carburettor car is almost as good.

Fuel injection can improve consumption but does not appear to have done so in this case. According to the official Government tests, the Ti is a little thirstier in town driving, but does better at a steady 56mph. I suspect that this latter improvement is due more to the use of the fifth gear than to engine changes. My own fuel consumption checks suggest an average of 18 to 23 mpg.

I am afraid, too, that the new five-speed gearbox, while undoubtedly promoting economy and relaxed cruising (at 70 mph the engine is turning over at only 2,800 rpm), is not the most pleasant to use, having a rubbery feel and a particularly sticky change from third down to second.

All in all, the Ti hardly justifies the extra money. But Ti version or not, the 604 is a fine car and I would place it very high in the so-called executive market where the rivals include the Rover, Audi 100, Renault 30, Citroen CX, Volvo 264 and the mid-range BMW and Mercedes models.

One of the Peugeot's best points is its ride. The all-independent suspension is of a fairly conventional design, based on trailing arms at the back and MacPherson struts in front, but its ability to soak up bumps with good damping leaves the Rover, for instance, far behind. A slight pity that road noise is not better suppressed. Allied to the ride are exceptionally comfortable seats, soft, well-shaped and offering plenty of support to the back.

Another good feature of the 604, standard on all versions, is the power steering, which strikes just the right balance between lightness and feel. The brakes respond quickly and progressively, if a little abruptly at low speed, and roadholding is of a high order. The classic, Pininfarina-styled bodyshell allows ample room for five people and a generous boot.

Finally, the 604 comes with an impressive list of standard equipment. Apart from the power steering, it includes electrically operated front and rear windows and sunroof, laminated windscreen, central door locking, tinted glass and height adjustment for the headlamps. Air conditioning and

Starlet debut

Unabashed at pressure to restrict Japanese car imports, Toyota this week announces a new model for the British market, the Starlet. A small three or five-door hatchback which replaces the Toyota 1000, it has a conventional front engine, rear wheel drive layout and can be seen as a Japanese equivalent of the Vauxhall Chevette and Chrysler Sunbeam.

The car is technically interesting as the first Toyota model to use rack and pinion steering which is generally considered to be superior—because more precise—to the recirculating ball system favoured by most Japanese cars. The only available engine for the Starlet is a 993 cc unit which develops 47 bhp and runs on three-star fuel.

At just over 12 feet long the Starlet is more compact than its rivals and yet manages to offer reasonable head and legroom in the back. The rear seats can be folded down individually to increase luggage space. The three-door version costs £2,721 but the better buy would appear to be the five-door which is only £87 more.

On a brief test drive I found the Starlet to be a pleasantly quiet car for its class and typically Japanese both in its excellent gearbox and mediocre ride. As might be expected, the 993 engine gives only modest performance and I suspect that before long Toyota will have to bring in either or both of the 1.2 and 1.4 litre options available in Japan. I hope to publish a more detailed assessment soon.

Peter Waymark

Broadcasting

0 pm — The Krypton Factor is not more American trash but a gruelling competition to find modern super-men and women. Only 40 out of 5,000 applicants survived to face intelligence, observation and general knowledge tests and a fairly benign assault course.

) pm C 2 — Horizon, a personal favourite, returns with another layman's guide to the frontiers of research, in this case on the human brain.

30 pm — M'Lords, Ladies and Gentlemen assembles well-known wits and raconteurs in a competition of humour. Remarkable if it can avoid ending up laboured and contrived.—P.V.

BBC 1

am, Open University: hry Davy; 7.05, Geology; 55, Polymorphism in . 10.55, Golf: The Open. pm, Trumpton. 1.45-2.00, 2.15, Golf. 4.20, Play . 4.45, Lippy Lion. 4.50, Hart. 5.10, Tabitha. 5.35, Wombles. News. 5.55, Nationwide. Film: Stowaway in the Sky, with Pascal Lamorisse. The Black and White Minstrel Show. News. Petrocelli. Face the Music. Film: La Ronde, with Jane Fonda, Anna Karina, Catherine Spaak. am, Weather.

al variations (BBC 1): WALES: 1.30-1.45 pm, O Dan . 5.10-5.35, Telifant. 5.55- Wales Today. 6.55, Heddiw. Maes o Law. 7.45-8.15, A y of a Thousand Miles. Music in Wales, discussion. Film: La Ronde. 12.50 am, close. SCOTLAND: 9.55 am, ngton. 10.00, Jackanory. Grange Hill. 10.35-10.55, ohn, Little John. 5.55-6.20 Reporting Scotland. 10.15- Breathing Space: Lea ly—The Deer Man. NORTH- IRELAND: 3.00-4.18 pm. from Down Royal. 4.18- Northern Ireland News. 5.55- Scene Around six. 10.15- Lifetimes: Niall Tobin, actor riter. ENGLAND: 10.15-10.45 East. On Camera: Midlands. a!: North. Direct Line: -East. Funny You Should Say North-West. Champion Brass: Concert from Portsmouth iral: South-West. The aquaWest, Public Life.

BBC 2

am. Open University: e in Education; 7.05, s—A Special Case? 7.30- Rathbone Street Change. 11.25, Play School. 4.20- Golf: The Open. News. Westminster Report. Tortelier Masterclass. Fivepenny Piece with Mike Harding. Horizon: Explosions in the Mind. The Devil's Crown. News. 12.15 am, Golf highlights.

HTV

am, Thames. 10.20, Money-nd. 10.40, Southern. 11.30, Gloucestershire v Lanca- 12.00, Thames. 12.30 pm, n. 1.00, News. 1.20, West mes. 1.25, Wales Headlines. Southern. 2.25, Racing and l. 4.15, Thames. 5.15, CanNemo. 5.20, Southern. 6.00, West. 6.15, Report Wales. Oh No, It's Selwyn Froggitt. London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, m. 10.35, Music Makes e. 11.05-12.05 am, M'Lords, and gentlemen. HTV U/WALES: As HTV except: 1.25 pm, Penawdau Newyddion. 4.15-4.45, Cantan y Dydd. 6.00-6.15, Y Dydd. 11.05, Agriculture. HTV T: As HTV except: 1.20-1.30 West Headlines. 6.15-6.30, West.

Westward

am, Thames. 10.20, The Eve- of Life. 10.40, Southern. Thames. 1.20 pm, Westward Headlines. 1.30, Thames. Friends of Man. 5.45, News. Westward Diary. 6.35, ATV. London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, m. 10.30, Summer of '78. Amy Premiss. 12.40 am, for Life.

London Weekend

7.00 The Kryton Factor.
7.30 The Pink Medicine Show.
8.00 Hawaii Five-O.
9.00 The Foundation.
10.00 News.
10.30 M'Lords, Ladies and Gentlemen.
11.30 Police 5.
11.40 The Law Centre.
12.40 am, Sir John Gielgud reads a Shakespeare sonnet.

Yorkshire

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Power Without Glory. 11.10, The Lady and the Owl. 11.35, Friends of Man. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Calendar News. 1.30, Houseparty. 2.00, Thames. 5.15, Out of Town. 5.45, News. 6.00, Calendar. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 11.30-12.00, The Protectors.

Border

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Dynomutt. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Border News. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, The Partridge Family. 5.45, News. 6.00, Lookaround. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 10.30, Border Parliamentary Report. 11.00, My Lords Ladies and Gentlemen. 12.00, Border News.

Grampian

9.25 am, First Thing. 9.30, Thames. 10.20, The Beachcombers. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Grampian News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 6.00, Grampian Today. 6.10, The Fair Six. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, The Entertainers: Peter Skellern. 7.30, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 11.30, Reflections. 11.35, Grampian Headlines. 11.40-12.40 am, The Law Centre.

Scottish

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Dynomutt. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 12.30 pm, Andy Williams. 1.00, News. 1.25 pm, Road Report. 1.30, Houseparty. 2.00, Thames. 5.15, Cartoon. 5.20, Southern. 6.00, Scotland Today. 6.30, Laverne and Shirley. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 10.30, Ways and Means. 11.00, Late Call. 11.05-12.35 am, Film: Vault of Horror, with Dawn Addams, Tom Baker, Michael Craig, Glynis Johns.

Ulster

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, The Lost Islands. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Lunchtime. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, The Flintstones. 5.45, News. 6.00, Ulster Television News. 6.05, Crossroads. 6.30, Reports. 6.50, Police Six. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 11.30-11.40, Bedtime.

Channel

1.18 pm, Channel News. 1.30 pm, Thames. 5.15, Friends of Man. 5.45, News. 6.00, Report at Six. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 10.32, Summer of '78. 11.00, Amy Premiss. 12.40 am, News.

Tyne Tees

9.25 am, The Good Word. 9.30, Thames. 10.20, Wildlife Cinema. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, North East News. 1.30, Challenge of the Sexes. 2.00, Thames. 5.15, Run, Joe, Run. 5.45, News. 6.00, Northern Life. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 10.30, Storytime. 11.05, Film: Devils of Darkness, with William Sylvester, Tracy Reed. 12.35 am, Epilogue.

Anglia

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, ATV. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 1.25 pm, Anglia News. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Chatterbox. 5.45, News. 6.00, About Anglia. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 10.30, Probe. 11.00, Film: Paths of Glory, with Kirk Douglas, Ralph Meeker. 12.35 am, Your Music at Night.

Thames

9.30 am, History Around You (r). 9.55, Plain Sailing (r). 10.20, Captain Nemo. 10.30, The Saint* (r). 11.20, Stationary Ark. 11.45, Felix the Cat. 12.00, A Handful of Songs. 12.10 pm, Stepping Stones (r). 12.30, The Better Sex. 1.00, News. 1.20, Help! (r). 1.30, Beryl's Lot (r). 2.00, Money-Go-Round. 2.25, Racing from York. 4.15, Golden Hill (r). 4.45, Fanfare. 5.15, Cuckoo Waltz (r). 5.45 News. 6.00, Thames at 6. 6.35 Crossroads.

* Black and white.
(r) Repeat.

ATV

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Friends of Man. 10.40, Into the Unknown (r). 11.30, Roger Whittaker. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, ATV News. 1.30, General Hospital (r). 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Those Wonderful TV Times. 5.45, News. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35, Crossroads. 7.00, London. 8.00, The Incredible Hulk. 9.00, London. 11.30-12.30 am, Quincy.

Southern

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Rainbow Country. 10.40, Simply Sewing. 11.05, Roger Whittaker. 11.30, Trinity House. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Southern News. 1.30, Those Wonderful TV Times. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 5.10, Weekend. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, News. 6.00, Day by Day. Scene South East. 6.30, The Cuckoo Waltz. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 10.30, Southern News. 10.35, Film: Dracula AD. 1972. 12.25 am, Weather. The Black Experience.

Granada

9.30 am, Thames. 10.25, Sesame Street. 11.20, Castaway. 11.45, Song Book. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, This is Your Right. 1.30, Kreskin. 2.00, Thames. 5.10, What's New. 5.15, Crossroads. 5.45, News. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.30, Summer Sport. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 11.30, Film: Stiletto, with Alex Cord, Britt Ekland. 1.15-1.30 am, A Little Night Music.

Radio

1

5.00 am, News. Richard Vaughan.† 7.02, Dave Lee Travis. 9.00, Simon Bates. 11.31, Paul Burnett. 2.00 pm, Tony Blackburn. 4.31, Kid Jensen. 7.30, Sports Desk. 7.33, Barn Dance.† 8.02, Neil Richardson.† 8.45, Music Night.† 9.55, Sports Desk. 10.02, John Peel.† 12.00, News. 12.05 am, Brian Matthew. 2.00, News.

† Stereo.

2

5.00 am, News. 5.02, Richard Vaughan.† 7.32, Terry Wogan† (8.27 Racing bulletin). 10.02, Golf: The Open. 10.05, Jimmy Young.† 12.15 pm, Waggoners' Walk. 12.30, Pete Murray.† 2.30, David Allan.† 4.30, Waggoners' Walk. 4.45, Sports Desk. 4.50, John Dunn.† 6.45, Sports Desk. 7.02, Barn Dance.† 7.30, Radio 1. 10.02, Free Spin. 10.30, Let's Go Latin. 11.02, Brian Matthew. 2.00-2.02 am, News.

3

6.55 am, Weather. 7.00, News. 7.05, Handel, Telemann, Vivaldi, Bach, Albinoni.† 8.00, News. 8.05, Sullivan, Vaughan Williams, Sibelius, Tchaikovsky.† 9.00, News. 9.05, Gounod.† 9.50, BBC Northern Ireland Orchestra: Handel, Rivier, Mathias.† 10.35, Young Artists' Recital: Prokofiev.† 11.05, Manchester Concert: Haydn, Schoenberg, Rawsthorne, Faure, Liszt.† 12.15 pm, Cardiff Concert, part 1: J. C. Bach, Stravinsky.

1.00, News. 1.05, Playbill.† 1.20, Cardiff, part 2: Mendelssohn. 1.55, The Gondoliers: Illustrated talk. 2.55, Music in London in the Reign of Queen Anne: Talk and concert.† 4.05, ISCM Festival Concert: Bertoncini, Oliveira, Wassiliadis.† 4.45, The Young Idea: Michael Haydn, Leopold Mozart.† 5.45, Homeward Bound. 6.05, News. 6.10, Homeward Bound. 6.30, Arthur's Folk. 7.00, Cinema Now. 7.30, Berlioz: Requiem.† 9.00, The Last Great English Man of Letters: Edmund Gosse on Thomas Hardy. 9.20, Vladimir Ashkenazy plays Chopin.† 9.45, New Light on Mozart's 13 Wind: Illustrated Investigation.† 11.15, Early English Organ Music from Innsbruck: Elcombe, Bull, Farnaby, Munday.† 11.45, News. 11.50-11.55, Schubert Song.

4

6.00 am, News. 6.10, Farming. 6.30, Today. 8.35, Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00, News. 9.05, Local Time. 9.35, The Life and Times of the Piano (New series). 10.00, News. 10.05, Checkpoint. 10.30, Service. 10.45, Story. 11.00, News. 11.05, Maria Callas, portrait of the great soprano. 12.00, News. 12.02 pm, You and Yours. 12.27, My Music. 12.55, Weather.

1.00, News. 1.30, The Archers. 1.45, Woman's Hour. 2.45, Listen with Mother. 3.00, News. 3.05, Play: Uncle Venables, by E. H. Hendry. 4.00, News. 4.05, Who's Your Lady Friend? The story of Harry Fragson, music hall artist. 4.35, Story: The Story of Ragged Robyn. 5.00, PM Reports. 5.40 Inquire Within. 5.55, Weather. 6.00, News. 6.30, Going Places. 7.00, News. 7.05, The Archers. 7.20, Pick of the Week. 8.10, Profile. 8.30, Many Reasons Why: The American involvement in Vietnam. 9.15, Letter from America. 9.30, Kaleidoscope. La Scala, Milan: birthday celebration. 9.59, Weather. 10.00, News. 10.30, Week Ending. 10.55, Nightcap: Macrozoology and the Art of Lawn Maintenance. 11.00, A Book at Bedtime: The Secret Agent. 11.15, The Financial World Tonight. 11.30, Today in Parliament. 12.00, News. 12.20-12.23, Inshore Forecast.

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HUDSON.—On July 12, to Primrose and Martin—a son (Mark Oliver), brother and playmate for Hugh.

KINGSTON.—On 22nd June, at Evesham, to Jill (nee Bache) and Martin—a son (Thomas).

MANNERS.—On 12th July in Menorca to Sue and Andrew—a son.

MILLER.—On 8th July, 1978, at Simpson Memorial Maternity Pavilion, Edinburgh, to David and Ann (nee Craig McQuaide)—a daughter.

NAMDAR.—On Sat., July 8th, 1978, at the Lindo Wing, St. Mary's, Paddington, to Susan (nee Oddie) and Amir—the gift of a son (Alexis Leo).

PACK.—On 11th July, to Patricia and Chris, at the Lindo Wing, St. Mary's, Paddington — a daughter.

PICKERING.—On 3rd July, to Gill (nee Darling) and the late Michael—a son (Benjamin Michael). Easter Barichie, Fearn, Ross-shire.

STEPHENS.—On Wednesday, 12th July, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Fiona and Pug—a daughter.

VAUGHTON.—On July 12, to Carol (nee Collier) and Charles, in Nottingham—Henry Paul, a brother for George.

WONDERS-PLATT.—On the 10th July, in Chicago to Georgette (nee Wonders) and Roger Platt—a son Andrew Richard.

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CONWAY : STEWART.—On July 14th, 1928, at All Souls', Langham Place, Lieutenant Harold Robson Conway, Royal Navy, to Marjorie Stewart.

DEATHS

BARON.—On July 12, peacefully, Dr. Cyril Saudel Joseph, former H.M. Coroner for East Surrey and Greater London, beloved husband of Kathleen and adored father and grandfather.

BAMLET.—On July 12th in hospital, Isabel Mary Gordon Carlisle, aged 88 years, beloved mother of Marybel.

BAYNES.—On 11th July, 1978, Lucy Draffen, dearly loved only daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs Baynes MBE, of Manchester, peacefully after a short illness in hospital. Funeral Service at 11.45 a.m., St. Margaret's Church of Park Lane, Putney. Followed by cremation at Putney Vale Crematorium at 12.30 on Wednesday, July 19th. Flowers please to Evershed Brothers, 120 Wandsworth High Street, S.W.18.

CARR.—On July 12, 1978, suddenly, at home, 102 West Street, Selsey, Sussex, Brigadier James Carr, C.B.E. (late R.E.), beloved husband of Joyce, much loved father of Robin, Edward and Frank. Cremation service at Chichester Crematorium, 2.30 p.m., Wednesday, July 19. Inquiries to Messrs. Holland, Tel.: Chichester 82965.

DAVIS, JOE.—Peacefully on 10th July, aged 77, dearly loved husband of June and father of Dorothy and Derrick, and adored grandfather. Private family funeral. No mourning or flowers but donations if desired to Friends of St. Mary's Hospital, Praed St., Paddington, London W.2. Memorial service in London to be announced later.

GAINSFORD.—On 12th July at her home, Mill House, Partney, Mildred, daughter of W. D. Gainsford, of Skendleby, aged 97. Requiem Mass at the Catholic Church, Spilsby, 3 p.m., on Saturday, 15th July. Garden flowers only. RIP.

GILCHRIST.—On July 7th, 1978, James M. (Jay) Jnr., former American Foreign Service officer, 1941-48, served in Canberra and Pretoria, died peacefully in London, leaving brother Robert Gilchrist, 1120 Via Carolina, La Jolla, California 92037 as next of kin.

GRASEMANN.—On 7th July peacefully at Richmond, Surrey, in her 91st year Irene, beloved wife of the late Cuthbert Grasemann. The funeral service will take place at East Sheen Cemetery on Tuesday, July 18th, at 3.30 p.m. Floral tributes may be sent to T. H. Sanders and Sons Ltd., 447 Upper Richmond Road West, East Sheen.

HEAPHCOTE.—On July 5th, Agnes Ethel, wife of the late James Shirley Heaphcote, very peacefully in her sleep at Bramshill. Cremation took place at East Hampstead on July 11th.

HUTTENBACH.—Suddenly, on July 11, in hospital, Col. Norman Hugh, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., Mons and Gallipoli veteran, aged 87. Funeral service on Tuesday, July 18, 12.20 p.m., at Beckenham Crematorium. Roses only, please.

LEWIS, EROICA ROWE.—On July 11th, at St Olave's hospital, Rotherhithe. Funeral at St Marys Church, Rotherhithe, Monday, July 17th, at 11.30 a.m. Thereafter to Honour Oak Crematorium, Forest Hill. Flowers may be sent to F. A. Albin and Sons, 52 Culling Rd., S.E.16. Donations to Help the Aged.

MAJOR, RAYMOND.—On 13th July The very dear brother of Mabel, Alec and Rosa. Dearly loved by all.

MARRIAGE.—On July 12th, 1978, Dorothy Harker, widow of Sampson Percival Marriage, of Broomfield Mill, near Chelmsford. Memorial Meeting for Worship at Friends Meeting House, Rainsford Road, Chelmsford, on Tuesday, July 18th, at 3.15 p.m. Interment private. No flowers.

MITCHELL.—On July 12th, aged 81 years, Joan Young Mitchell (nee Fegetter), of The Gables, Ogle, Ponteland, and formerly of Moorfield, Jesmond, Newcastle upon Tyne. Funeral service at Jesmond United Reformed Church on Monday, 17th July, 1978, at 10 a.m. followed by private cremation.

PAYNE.—On July 12th, peacefully at his home, James William Richard, aged 64 years. For forty years a dental surgeon in Streatham. Funeral service at Streatham Park Cemetery, on Tuesday, July 18th at 3 p.m. No flowers at his request. Donations to Cancer Research Campaign.

PRIDAY.—On July 11th, Clive Oscar Miéville, Dear husband of Grace and devoted father of Hugh, Matthew, Helen, Blair, Elisabeth and Thomas, quietly at his home, after a long illness, borne with great courage. Funeral service, 13.30 pm, Monday, July 17th, at Radclive Church, near Buckingham.

RIDGES.—On July 12, peacefully, in hospital, James Syminton, of 14 Tapton Park Road, Sheffield. Service at St. John's Church, Ranmoor, Sheffield, Tuesday, July 18, 2.15 p.m., followed by cremation. Donations for Yorkshire Cancer Research Campaign in lieu of flowers may be sent to John Heath & Sons, Funeral Directors, Sheffield.

ROSENOER.—On July 11th, in her 77th year, Doctor Leah Rosenoer, beloved wife of the late David and mother of Victor and the late Sonia Rosenoer. Sadly missed by her family and friends. Funeral at Hoop Lane Crematorium, Friday 14th July, at noon. No flowers please, but donations may be sent to the Save The Children Fund, in her memory.

STIASSNY, ANNA.—Peacefully on July 13th at a London nursing home. Cremation private.

TAYLOR.—On Tuesday, July 11th, after an operation, Charles de Clare Studdert, much-loved husband of Barbara Ann and father of Teresa and Thomas.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

DIMBLEBY.—A memorial service for Gwen Dimbleby is to be held at St. Andrew's Church, Ham Common, Richmond, at 3 p.m. on Friday, 21st July.

JEPHCOTT.—A Service of Thanksgiving for the life and work of Sir Harry Jephcott, Bt., will be held at St. Margaret's, Westminster, at 12 noon on Friday, 21st July, 1978, to be conducted by the Dean of Westminster. No tickets are required.

SKINNER.—The Memorial service for Robert Banks Skinner, late of Vermont, Batchworth Hill, Rickmansworth, Herts., will be held at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Holborn Viaduct, EC1, on Thursday, 20th July at 12 noon.

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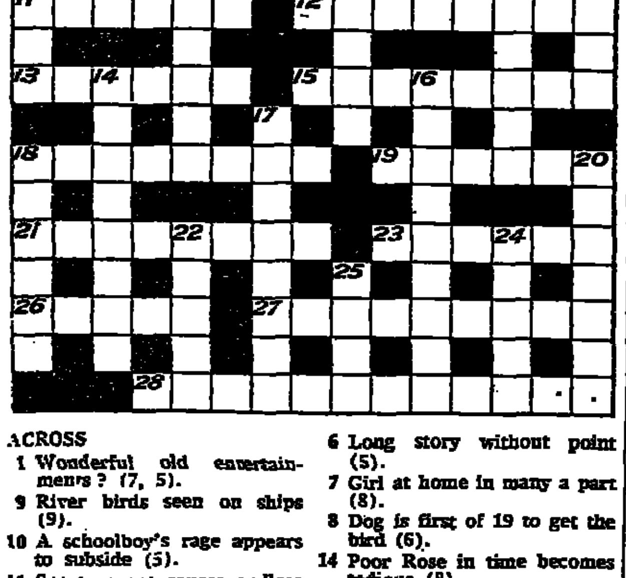
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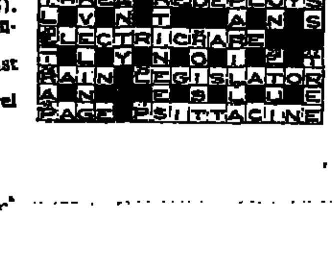
ACROSS

1 Wonderful old entertainments? (7, 5).
9 River birds seen on ships (9).
10 A schoolboy's rage appears to subside (5).
11 Sports event causes endless debate (6).
12 No encore for this fabulous performance (4-4).
13 Share in worship without ado (6).
15 Harry is given wrong direction of old Scottish county (8).
18 One sort of view of tobacco (5-3).
19 Old alumnus is back in the wine-shop (6).
21 Key list Lea mislaid in old prison (8).
23 Save about a hundred in use possibly (6).
26 Mistress spells lake name backwards (5).
27 Aunt is confused by court exchanges, of course (9).
28 Insects bound to travel (12).

DOWN

1 Swordsman resorts to drama (7).
2 Collars hooligans, say? (5).
3 Fasteners round your mended trousers? (9).
4 Bad as one sort of broadcast set-up appears (4).
5 Minor roads of novel character? (8).
6 Long story without point (5).
7 Girl at home in many a part (8).
8 Dog is first of 19 to get the bird (6).
14 Poor Rose in time becomes tedious (8).
16 Preston & Co rebuilt plant (9).
17 Rides round on seeing wind conditions (8).
18 Wine with Jock's turkey (6).
20 They're lemurs, we heard from sailors (3-4).
22 Bull-ring victor loses head (5).
24 Get a little lower number on a £5 note (5).
25 H has got rid of a skin complaint (4).

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The object of this Notice is not to enter into discussion as [to] how Greek Cypriots have been waging economic and political warfa[re] against Turkish Cypriots since 1960 but to put the record straig[ht] concerning the Judgement of the House of Lords which has bee[n] misinterpreted in some Press reports.

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